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NOT: LADY CHATTERLEY'S LOVER: RHODES ARTS COMPLEX, 1-3 SOUTH ROAD, BISHOP'S STORTFORD, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 7.30PM

■ Think The Naked Gun and Airplane! mixed with a steamy costume drama in this laughter-filled parody of the DH Lawrence novel.

Lady Chatterley welcomes home her husband, Clifford, from a war that has left the world in tatters.

With Clifford's legs also in tatters, he arrives at Wragby Hall confined to a wheelchair and clutching his secret.

As the couple grow apart, Constance falls into a passionate, sexual and curiously experimental affair with estate gamekeeper Mellors.

There will be long, contemplative looks into the middle distance, moments of touching drama, plenty of farce and a gentle stroke of innuendo.

Tickets £14. For more details visit: www.rhodesartscomplex.co.uk

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See Not: Lady Chatterley's Lover at the Rhodes Arts Complex

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21 TO SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 11AM AND 2PM DAILY

■ After the success of Jack and the Beanstalk, Children's Theatre Productions are back at The Victoria Hall Theatre, Old Harlow, with Rumpelstiltskin.

Meet Princess Gladys and her friend Reg the mouse as they go on a fun-filled adventure, meeting Prince Percy and the infamous Rumpelstiltskin along the way.

Annie Price is back as daydreamer Gladys, along with local pantomime legend Danny Gleeson as the mischievous Rumpelstiltskin. And introducing new local actress Amy Gallagher as the comical Prince Percy.

There will be a collection for local charity Pact for Autism at the end of each show, and there will also be a chance to meet the cast and have photos on stage. With puppets, comedy, songs and lots of fun

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PAUL LEWIS: SAFFRON HALL, AUDLEY END ROAD, SAFFRON WALDEN, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 3PM

■ "Intelligence and intensity" were the two qualities that The Guardian found in Paul Lewis's playing, but as Saffron Hall regulars already know, that's not the half of it: Everything Lewis touches says something personal and poetic.

He comes back to continue his project, which traces the musical connections that run between Haydn, Beethoven and Brahms.

Tickets from £14. For more details visit: www.saffronhall.com/calendar/paul-lewis-3/

SPOOKTACULAR EVENT

GRUESOME GOINGS ON: AUDLEY END HOUSE AND GARDENS, OFF LONDON ROAD, SAFFRON WALDEN, MONDAY, OCTOBER 22 TO SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 11AM - 4PM

■ Travel back in time and discover the painful punishments your history teacher is too timid to tell you at these pop-up activities.

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Pumpkin carving (limited availability) is available at an extra cost £4 - first come first served, no booking available.

Tickets £18.10. For more details visit: www.english-heritage.org.uk

Hospice's new shop will offer vintage and retro fashions

By **CHARLOTTE PAGE**

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A NEW vintage retro charity shop offering eco-friendly fashion will open this weekend.

St Clare Hospice will celebrate the opening of its shop Scarlet Vintage and Retro on Saturday (October 20) with Harlow MP Robert Halfon cutting the ribbon.

The shop, situated in the town centre's Broadwalk, is home to a hand-picked selection of quirky and contemporary clothing and accessories dating back to the 90s and earlier.

There is also a selection of collectables, homeware and a range of premium brand new items on offer, making the store a treasure trove for local fashionistas.

Fiona Eaton, head of retail, said: "We are delighted that our brand new vintage shop is ready to launch in Harlow.

"Scarlet Vintage and Retro will make such a great addition to the town's shopping centre championing individual style and creativity for everyone who loves fashion.

"Vintage shops are revolutionising the way we feel about shopping, creating an outlet for sustainable and eco-friendly fashion.

"It's a completely new direction for charity shops, incorporating the highly esteemed vintage and retro market which is becoming more popular all the time.

"Charity store shopping empowers people to embrace their own individual styles, in a wholly ethical and sustainable way."

St Clare has collaborated with Harlow's Rainbow Services in a furniture upcycling project to renew and restore donated homeware

Vintage shops are... creating an outlet for sustainable and eco-friendly fashion

Fiona Eaton, head of retail

to sell in aid of each organisation.

A collection of donated, upcycled and restored range of homeware will launch within the hospice shop.

The newly-formed partnership operates with the vital assistance of The Workshop at Rainbow Services, a community engagement programme that offers placements for Essex Community Rehabilitation Service users to undertake their allocated community service hours.

The scheme will also offer mentoring and positive activities to vulnerable young people at risk of making negative life choices.

The Workshop receives donated furniture and homeware items from St Clare Hospice and then manually restore them using their carpentry and DIY skills.

St Clare then donates 20 per cent of sales profits to

Rainbow Services after an item is purchased from Scarlet Vintage and Retro.

Jemma Mindham, chief executive officer at Rainbow Services, said: "Rainbow Services is really excited by this new partnership with St Clare Hospice, upcycling donated furniture to be sold on to raise money for the charity.

"This takes our Recycling Workshop, which is how our charity launched nearly 21 years ago, to a new level for all of our service-users, ensuring not only that they are able to learn and apply new skills in a practical way but that they are giving to a worthy community cause at the same time.

"The first few items, which have been completed, have shown the service-users and our staff and volunteers just what they are capable of, and have raised levels of self-esteem and team spirit.

"Everyone is raring to go and ready for more."

St Clare Scarlet Vintage and Retro, situated at 3 Broadwalk, Harlow, CM20 1HX, will officially open at 10am on Saturday. There will be drinks and nibbles available.



Fiona Eaton, Jemma Mindham and Jason Shaves inside Scarlet Vintage and Retro



The opening of St Clare's new shop will be celebrated on Saturday

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Bank branch shuts its doors

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A BANK in Harlow has closed its doors after a drop in the number of customers.

Lloyds TSB in Tye Green, Bush Fair, closed on Tuesday after the company revealed that customers were opting to bank using alternative methods – including online.

The company announced in July that the branch would close.

Factors taken into account when deciding whether to close a branch include how customers use the branch, opening hours, cash machine transactions and public transport availability and frequency.

A review into customer habits showed that, in comparison to last year, counters at the Tye Green branch were 12 per cent quieter, with just 27 customers using the branch on a regular weekly basis.

There were also 56 per cent fewer personal customers and 44 per cent fewer business customers using the branch, compared to a typical

**LLOYDS TSB
HAD JUST 27
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CUSTOMERS**

Lloyds Bank branch. A total of 71 per cent of the bank's personal customers already use other branches, including at East Gate, Harlow.

Customers who used the Tye Green branch will have their local branch updated to East Gate.

A Lloyds Bank spokesperson said: "We made the difficult decision to close the Lloyds Bank Tye Green Harlow branch on October 16 due to the changing ways customers choose to bank with us, which has resulted in the branch being used less often.

"We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause, customers can continue to access their banking locally by visiting the nearby Post Office, which is a short distance from the branch."



Lloyds TSB in Tye Green has closed

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£14,102	£4,370	5,000*	48 MONTHS	3.83%	3.9%



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£219**	£219	£600*	£15,540	£14,721	NIL
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Moped rider left with serious head injury after hit-and-run

POLICE BELIEVE VAN DRIVEN AT VEHICLE DELIBERATELY

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ESSEX Police have launched an investigation after a hit-and-run in Harlow left a moped rider with a serious head injury.

Officers were called to School Lane at the junction with First Avenue in response to an incident at 7.25pm on Wednesday (October 10).

It was reported that a white van, believed to be a Citroen, was involved in a collision with two mopeds before driving off.

One of the mopeds rode away from the scene but the rider of the other, a man in his 20s, suffered a fractured skull.

He was subsequently taken to hospital for treatment.

A white van was found abandoned in Hare Street a short time after the incident.

Detective sergeant Leo Fordham, from Harlow CID, said: "From our initial investigations we believe this was a deliberate act and the van was driven at the two moped riders on purpose.

"One of the riders is currently in hospital with a fractured skull but we need to locate the other rider.

"This area of Harlow would have been very busy at this time of day so we believe people will have seen what happened.

"We have already spoken to a



The scene in First Avenue on Wednesday night following the accident in which a moped rider suffered a fractured skull

number of people who saw the collision and we have begun to build up a picture of the incident but will still need anyone who we've not spoken to to come forward.

"Witnesses also reported seeing

three people, described as teenagers, making off from the van when it was abandoned in Hare Street and it's vital we identify and speak to them.

"If you were in either area at

around 7.15pm to 7.30pm I need you to come forward and contact us."

If you saw or heard anything, were driving in the area and have dash cam footage, or have any

other information please call police on 101 quoting incident 1117 of October 10.

Alternatively, you can contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Police arrest two men in connection with shooting at town caravan site case

POLICE have arrested two men in connection with a shooting at a caravan site in Harlow.

Officers rushed to reports of an incident at the Elizabeth way Caravan Site at around 8.15pm on September 29.

Police discovered a van had been shot at and that one man had been injured.

A 21-year-old man from Harlow has been arrested on suspicion of attempted murder and possession of firearms with intent and a 19-year-old man from Harlow has been arrested on suspicion of assisting an offender.

Both suspects remain in custody after being arrested in Bridgend, Wales, on the morning of Friday, October 12.

Michael O'Brien, 44, of River Way, Harlow, was charged with attempted murder and appeared at Chelmsford Magistrates' Court on October 4.

He has been remanded in custody to appear at Basildon Crown Court on Thursday, November 1.

A 19-year-old man from Harlow, who was arrested on suspicion of attempted murder, criminal damage and possession of firearms offences has been released on police bail until October 23.

Two women from Harlow arrested on suspicion of assisting an offender have also been released on police bail until October 29.

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News

Firefighters tackle huge second blaze in derelict building

By HANNAH KANE

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A HUGE fire was put out in a derelict Harlow building for the second time in two months.

Firefighters rushed to Northbrooks House shortly after 2am yesterday to find part of the building alight.

Two crews from Harlow, one from Epping and one from Old Harlow were called to tackle the blaze using an aerial ladder platform.

A spokesman from Essex County Fire and Rescue Service said: "Firefighters were called to a fire in a der-

elict building on Wednesday morning (October 17).

"When firefighters arrived at the incident, they reported the roof and top floor of the two storey building was on fire."

Pictures of the aftermath show the roof of the building caved in.

The derelict single-storey building, known as Northbrooks House, is adjacent to an abandoned adult learning college.

Firefighters were called to the same area just two months ago on Saturday, August 11, after reports of a large fire engulfing 60 per cent of the building which was also com-

pletely full of smoke.

Crews battled the blaze for more than two hours before finally extinguishing the flames at 11pm.

Nearby residents reported that crews returned during the early hours to check for any hot spots.

Plans had been submitted to demolish the former education and community centre to make way for almost 50 new homes.

The plans submitted by HTA Design LLP, having been commissioned by Northbrooks House Developments LLP, are for 47 dwellings at the Northbrooks House site.

Proposals are for a mixture of

homes including 20 flats in an apartment-style building and 27 houses with private external amenity for all homes and additional communal courtyard.

The Adult Learning College and Community Hall in the northern part of the site, should plans be approved, would be demolished after both Essex County Council and Harlow Council deemed the facilities "surplus to requirements".

Both facilities are deemed "vacant and disused" after previously being used for community functions.

The cause of the fire and the decision of these plans remains

unknown at this stage.

A group of urban explorers braved the asbestos and mould to provide an exclusive look inside the derelict Northbrooks House earlier this



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News



Firefighters at the scene



Within The Urbex footage of the inside of the house

month. Their footage, posted to a YouTube account called Within the Urbex, sees explorer Ryan, who wishes only to be known by his first name, and his brother Adam make their way through the building.

Inside they found broken glass, a bath, a motorbike and graffiti covering the walls from those who have entered following the closure of the building in 2013.

Ryan, 22, said: "We take some photos and videos.

"What we are trying to do with the videos is stop vandals going in to smash up the place.

"That's why we won't ever say how we get into places and always leave them more secure than we found them.

"It can be quite dangerous. We know the risk and we all know what we are doing.

"I always wear a mask and gloves too because you might fall on to anything."

He added: We think about if there are homeless people using buildings for shelter too.

"In a way it's their home, so we have no right going in there if they don't want us there."

Ryan claims he and his friends never break into the buildings.

If there is a safe way in that does not involve breaking a lock or smashing a window, then they go straight in.

"We need to be careful in case there are security guards guarding it," he added.

"But we will always go up and ask if we can go in to just film and come straight back out, and nine times out of ten it's fine.

"If the building looks too dangerous then we won't go in. We will only do external shots if it's falling apart"

The damage to Northbrook House in Harlow after a fire in the building

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Mother fears leak will cause ceiling to collapse

Sarah Ottosen showing where the water runs down the walls after it rains
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A SINGLE mum fears the roof of her Harlow Council home will collapse due to ongoing problems with a leak.

Sarah Ottosen moved into the property in Barley Croft with her six-year-old son in December 2017.

Yet after a recent spate of wet weather, the leak has since left her son sleeping on her bedroom floor after she said the water damaged his mattress and carpet on Tuesday, October 9.

The 39-year-old said: "The roof is the main part of the house - it keeps you dry and doesn't destroy all your belongings.

"There is obviously a slow leak up there - so where it's rained over the weekend, the rain has been sitting up there on the roof because it's a flat roof.

"It's got in underneath the felt up there, and it's slowly leaked down onto my son's ceiling.

"Where there's rivets or nails where they've put the ceiling up, it's slowly got through one of those and has dripped down onto his bed all day."

Despite property maintenance company HTS visiting and putting up what Sarah describes as a "black tar" in an attempt to stop the leak, she said that it is just a temporary fix.

"It's wait and see what happens. Sometimes it's literally a few days later and it'll rain, sometimes it's a little bit longer," she added.

"It's just never fixed.

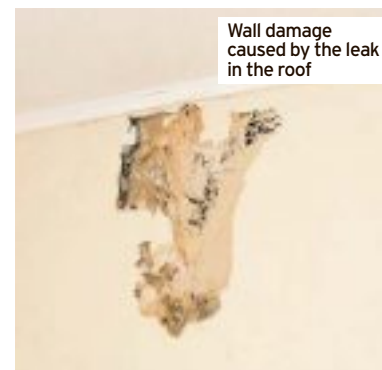
"They said they were going to put it as an emergency and I said 'how long is that?' They said it could be about five days."

Sarah has since had correspondence that she is due to have the roof replaced in the middle of December, yet she feels "doubtful" this will happen.

She continued: "I've had an email, they're not fixing it yet but apparently in



Sarah showing where her son sleeps on her bedroom floor due to the leak



Wall damage caused by the leak in the roof

and belongings.

Her health and safety concerns are also continuing to grow, with her saying it is now unsafe for her son to sleep in his own bedroom.

"Because it's coming through the roof, through the ceiling, at any moment that ceiling could just collapse," she added.

"For that whole reason, obviously my little boy can't sleep on a bed because he's not got one in there, so he is now on the floor in my bedroom.

"I go to work and I try to earn myself a living - I begrudge having to pay the council £89 a week for a house that's falling apart.

"It is leaking, it is damaging my belongings and I've got a bedroom I can't use.

"So I live in a two-bedroom house but I've only got one-bedroom.

"The council thinks that is okay - that's fine and I can live like that for another couple of months.

"I very much doubt I'll see a new roof this side of Christmas - I very much doubt."

A spokesman for Harlow Council said: "The re-roofing is being treated as a priority and HTS aim to be on site to start the work within the next four weeks.

"This is the timescale being worked to."

the next couple of months I am supposed to be getting a new roof.

"But a couple of months is December - I can't really see them putting in a new roof in the middle of December.

"Until the new roof gets put up there HTS will just continue to repair it.

"I'm going to constantly have a leak. They just keep putting plasters up there."

Sarah said she would love to decorate, although her efforts would be wasted if the leak is to continue damaging her home

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The venue was demolished earlier this year and since then the site has been empty



Coldplay performing at The Square in 2000



The number of homes proposed on the site of The Square has almost doubled

59 more homes planned for former Square site

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UPDATE MEANS VENUE COULD HAVE HAD TWO MORE YEARS

By **CHARLOTTE PAGE**

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THE number of homes planned to take the place of a former independent music venue in Harlow have almost doubled.

Updated plans from Clarion Housing suggest building a further 59 homes on land at The Angle which was once home to the much-loved The Square.

After battling the impending development on its site for the last decade, The Square was finally forced to close in January 2017, although demolition work did not take place until March this year.

With building work still yet to get underway, the local community have been left frustrated and disappointed as revised plans are still yet to be confirmed, meaning The Square could have remained open for nearly two more years.

Adam Smith, a former manager of The Square, said: "For me it's very disappointing that their priority was closing the venue and clearing the building."

"They've now pulled down the buildings and cleared the whole site prior to submitting revised plans so it could be some time before any new plans are agreed and acted on."

"Had they wanted to work in the best interest of the community, the venue would still be functioning and all involved would be working towards a better solution. Whilst lots of people in

town are working hard to ensure Harlow has a functioning live music based nightlife, there's no denying the negative effect the closure of The Square has had on the town."

The iconic music venue played host to stars from across the country, including Coldplay, Biffy Clyro and Blur when they were known as Seymour in the late 1980s.

The revised plans now suggest delivering a total of 128 homes as opposed to 69, of which 30 are set to be new shared ownership homes.

A spokesman from Clarion Housing said: "We are enhancing our proposals for The Angle in Harlow to make the best use of the site."

"Our updated plans will see an increase in the number of new homes delivered from 69 to 128 homes."

"The new proposals also include 30 new shared ownership homes, which is a fivefold increase in the number of affordable homes in the consented application."

The letter says that the number of parking spaces will be increased from 59 to 93.

Clarion Housing is also hosting a drop in consultation event on its updated plans at Harlow Playhouse, today (Thursday, October 18) from 11am to 4pm. Feedback given will be incorporated into the final scheme.

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Work starts on science park backed by county council and university

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An artist's impression of how the Nexus office complex will look



Chris White, John Keddie, Gary Bell, Illya Tabachinskiy and Iain Martin



The ceremony marked the start of work on the new science park
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By CHARLOTTE PAGE

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WORK to build the new Harlow Science Park has officially begun following a ground breaking ceremony.

The ceremony on Tuesday marked the first phase of construction which will focus on a business innovation centre built in partnership with Anglia Ruskin University and part-funded by Essex County Council.

It will also see Nexus, an office complex owned by Harlow Council, built to help businesses in the technology sector grow.

The value of the two new buildings is £15million and together will create space for up to 25 businesses.

John Keddie, chairman of Harlow Enterprise Zone board, said: "This is a major milestone in the development of the Harlow Enterprise Zone."

"Following the successes at Kao Park, the Harlow Science Park is now underway."

"With the infrastructure completed earlier this year, we are delighted to have started work on these first two buildings and with many positive discussions underway, we fully expect more buildings to commence in 2019 bringing new businesses and jobs to Harlow."

Vice chancellor of Anglia Ruskin University, Iain Martin, added: "ARU is a key part of our region's education and innovation ecosystem."

"Building on our past success with the MedBIC innovation and incubator space in Chelmsford, this new facility will help grow new businesses and industries in Harlow and in the wider region."

"We are very pleased to be partnering

with Essex County Council and Harlow Council in this project."

Once completed, the ten hectare science park development will help build a science and technology, or a sci-tech community, in Harlow where businesses can innovate and grow.

The development will form a significant part of the Harlow Enterprise Zone, which is already home to technology businesses like Arrow Electronics and Raytheon.

Near to the Science Park is the Kao Data Centre and Kao Business Park named after Sir Charles Kao who passed away recently.

Sir Charles invented fibre-optic communication in Harlow in 1966 in a building once situated where the Harlow Enterprise Zone is today.

Harlow Science Park hopes to help continue the tradition of creating future inventions.

The building of the science park, combined with the opening of Public Health England's £400 million national science hub, hopes to see Harlow become a major cluster on the UK's London, Stansted and Cambridge innovation corridor - an area with a global reputation for scientific research.

The construction of the science park is being undertaken by McLaughlin and Harvey and the development by VINCI UK Developments, as part of a consortium with Palmer Capital.

The first phase of construction is expected to be completed in August 2019.

CEO of VINCI Construction UK, Bruno Dupety, said: "This is a pivotal moment in the development of Harlow Science Park and is testament to the effective collaboration between all of the parties involved."

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Haunt returns for fright night

By **JAMES GREGORY**

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ARE you prepared for a scare this Halloween in Harlow?

The Harlow Halloween Haunt is once again putting on a fright night for trick or treaters far and wide.

Based in The Chantry near Mark Hall Park, you can't fail to miss it - just listen for the screams!

The event has been running for nine years and was set up by work colleagues Richard Emmerman and Mike Miller.

The scary tunnel, which has become synonymous with the Halloween Haunt, will feature live actors and scenery fitting this year's theme The Pumpkin Patch.

"It is a family and friends event which we run in the local area," explains Richard's brother-in-law Tony Mascall.

"It started with a single bin bag scaring people as they came to ours for trick or treat.

"It has become very well known in the local area and we even have people travelling from Hatfield, Hertford and Waltham Cross."

FAMILY HALLOWEEN TUNNEL EVENT HOSTED BY FAMILY RAISING CASH FOR HOSPICE

Though a completely free event, the zombie-themed night last year was the first time the family decided to take donations for St Clare Hospice, raising £350 in the process.

This year they are hoping to raise even more during the event on October 31.

Tony, 42, added: "I work reasonable close to St Clare and we support it here as a workplace.

"Also, I know a few people who have used the services of St Clare.

"I do have some ties to them in some respect."

Tony explained that plans for this year's event started in January through a family Whatsapp chat.

It takes place at The Chantry, Harlow on October 31 between 5 and 9.30pm.



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LETTERS

'Collaboration' will see no more police in town

I READ with interest your article regarding the so called collaboration of policing services between seven "local" forces. THE reason apparently is to save jobs and indeed increase the Essex force by 150 officers.

I nearly smiled at that nonsense because the service has already lost jobs and it can be safely agreed that none of those "extra" officers will see a day in Harlow despite the service already short of providing a viable service to local residents.

Local policing is non-existent.

In short the residents will pay even more this year for fewer policing services in their communities.

If it wasn't so serious, it would be laughable.

Gary Roberts
Harlow

Old Harlow children being left at bus stop

WE are now a month into the new term; we have already had three incidents that I know of personally (I would be surprised if there were not more) where children on the Old Harlow - Leventhorpe bus route (Harlow-Stansted route, run by Arriva Buses) have been refused entry due to an issue that is entirely of Arriva's doing.

Ignoring for now the other issues, such as reliability, inaccurate bus tracking, lack of ticket options for 1 day without paying a premium on daily price, total lack of transparency on ticket prices.

The child return bus fare from Old Harlow to Leventhorpe is £2. From Harlow Bus Station it is £3.10. Which is the price that has been demanded on these occasions.

After the first occurrence I spoke to Arriva Customer Services. The price list is not available online, but I did manage to get a snippet of their price grid.

After some discussion (involving me explaining to the Arriva staff how to read the grid!) the customer service agent did accept that the price should be £2.

Some children on the first

instance paid the extra - we have a photograph of the ticket supplied, which clearly states Harlow Bus Station, not Old Harlow. This would match the price for Harlow - Leventhorpe. All of this was clearly communicated to Arriva. No apology was given, no compensation has been offered, and clearly no action has been taken to prevent this from happening again given it has happened at least twice more.

On the most recent incident, my 12-year-old asked the bus driver (politely I hope!) to check, and after doing so he corrected the price; I don't know if the location of the bus is automated, or if the driver has to somehow update where they are (in these days of GPS?).

Perhaps this is why the bus tracking data is so woefully inadequate and inaccurate.

On previous incidents the children who are not willing to pay the 55% extra are left at the bus stop to wait for another bus, which may or may not come, and risk being late for school.

On the plus side, I suppose the children are learning valuable lessons - how to politely argue your case with an adult who should know better, whilst supported by facts and evidence; on the downside, I do not consider this amount of added stress an ideal start to the school day.

Victoria Conlan
Via email

Conference on the Palestinian people

AT the recent Labour Party conference in Liverpool, Colin Monehen, a first time delegate representing the Harlow constituency, was able to address conference on the plight of the Palestinian people.

Alas, his speech, which received a standing, flag-waving ovation, seemed to me to be biased, naïve and sadly lacking in any historical or current understanding of the problem.

His impassioned plea on behalf of



the oppressed Palestinian people was entirely predicated on the belief that in 1948 'the majority of Palestinian people were forcibly displaced from their homes.'

No mention of the fact that as the State of Israel came into being in 1948, armies from five Arab nations (Egypt, Jordan, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon) were positioned on Israel's borders ready to attack.

No mention of the fact that the majority of Palestinian people fled from their homes (rather than being forcibly displaced) having been told by their leaders that any person remaining in the areas controlled by the Jews would be regarded as acquiescing in their political pretensions and would have to answer for it.

No mention of two other Arab wars of aggression against the State of Israel in 1967 and 1973.

No mention that today, Hezbollah in Lebanon and Hamas in Gaza

have tens of thousands of rockets and missiles pointed at Israel and they are often fired offensively from Gaza.

If the Palestinian people are suffering today, and I wouldn't deny that some are, it is largely because of bad leadership and disunity both within and between their different political factions. Fatah, led by Mahmoud Abbas President of the Palestinian Authority, controls the lives of almost all West Bank Arabs, and Hamas runs Gaza.

Meanwhile Israel, despite all the provocation, is still willing to try and incorporate Arabs into its domestic life. Even though Arabs represent only 21% of the population of Israel,

they make up almost 40% of Israel's doctors and pharmacists and 45% of the country's nurses.

Mr Monehen's plea is that we 'cannot be silent on this issue' otherwise 'we are complicit'.

But we need to have a clear understanding of what has given rise to the problems and also appreciate that the root cause of the conflict is not one of Jews oppressing Palestinians, but of various Arab leaders wanting to annihilate the State of Israel.

A two-state solution can never work whilst one state denies the right of the other to even exist.

George Irving
Harlow

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doctors to cater for all these
patients! Took 3 weeks at least to
get an appointment before!**Liz Dyer**

It won't open.

Karen TaylorJust been on hold for 50 mins to
get emergency appointment, off
to walk down there now, absolute
joke, angry doesn't cover it, let's
just hope they can cater for more
staff now.**Hannah Charlotte Macefield**And still won't answer the
phone.**Samantha Haythorpe**And still can't get an
appointment!**Danielle Mace**

Yeah and don't we know it! stand

in the queue for 30 mins every
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opened.**Toni Louise**Harlow has got to be the worst
place for doctors and
appointments... over crowded
massively. I had to pay private
just to get my son a inhaler as
the wait is so long, he needs it
every day and can't wait!Surrey had a new inhaler waiting
at the chemist for my son on a
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Rant over.**Sasha Larkin**Let's wait and see if waiting
time to see a doctor comes
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and expected more stock than
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Harlow population, no wonder
you have to wait a month for an
appointment!**Ricardo Bergantini**Couldn't get an appointment
before, now with 20,000 patients
got no chance.**Steve Evans****Tony Walker**

Inspector, Harlow Community Policing Team

NEIGHBOURHOOD NEWSOFFICERS from the Community
Policing Team have been engaged in
Operation Sceptre, a week-long
national knife crime campaign.Officers started early and
conducted two weapon sweeps in
the town centre in the Adams House
and Watergardens area.Staff from the Council Community
Safety Team helped out and a couple
of bladed articles were found.The searches took place early in
the morning to keep minimise
disruption to the local community.On the second day we attended
Harlow College with a knife arch andspoke with students regarding the
dangers of knife crime as they
entered the building during the
morning.The rest of the week saw warrants
being tried and increased patrols in
the Town Centre during the
afternoon and evening. We also
assisted the local authority with a
gas leak in Edinburgh Way which
took a few days to resolve.The Only Cowards Carry Charity
has installed a knife bin outside the
police station and I would urge
anyone to dispose of any unwanted
knives so they do not get into the

wrong hands.

Operation Sceptre is intended to
highlight the dangers of carrying a
knife and to prevent offence.
Information regarding police powers
around stop and search can be found
at essex.police.uk/stopandsearch.AS autumn sets in, it's worth
mentioning that traditionally there
tends to be an increase in burglaries
during the winter months and
especially once the clocks go back
an hour on October 28.Burglary is a particularly
distressing crime and can have a real

impact on the homeowner.

A few simple steps can make your
property less attractive to burglars:
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TALKING POINT

The right road to solving our traffic problems?



THE BIG QUESTION

Would improvements to public transport encourage drivers to leave their cars at home?

GREEN: James Aicken

THERE is no doubt that Britain's underfunded public transport network encourages the ownership and use of private cars. The cost of rail and bus travel rose twice as much as the cost of driving in the past ten years, and public spending on roads over the past five years has been more than twice that spent on local public transport.

Britain's trains are the most crowded in Europe and our fares are the highest in the world. The privately-owned rail companies receive £4 billion of subsidies per year and 90 per cent of profits are given to shareholders rather than on improvements.

The Green Party believe public rail ownership will reduce ticket prices and invest in improvements at the same time which would make leaving the car at home more attractive.

That being said, studies have shown that public transport improvement alone may only reduce car usage by as little as 1.3 per cent and leaving the car at home is not a solution to our bigger problem. On average private vehicles are parked and unused for 95 per cent of the time which is extremely inefficient and wasteful. The main problem is it is convenient to own a car that is available whenever we want it and affordable when the



cost to our health and the environment are ignored.

The most successful campaigns at reducing car usage from around the world have also included urban planning to create safe pedestrianised areas that are free from parked cars and improved cycle networks.

In combination with investment in affordable accessible public transport and a change in personal attitude, more people can make the choice to live without an expensive and wasteful private vehicle and at the same time lead healthier lives.

LABOUR: Shannon Jezzard

WITH the growing concerns around climate change, there's no doubt that we all need to and should do more to reduce our carbon footprint. One of the ways to do that is to encourage drivers to opt for more environmentally friendly modes of transport. That being said, as we know in Harlow, public transport can not only be expensive, but it's also unreliable - so often it's easier just to avoid it altogether if you have the much more efficient option of driving your own car.

Arriva, Harlow's main bus service has been a subsidiary of the German government owned railway company Deutsche Bahn since 2010, so any profits raised by Arriva in the UK immediately goes to the nationalised service in Germany.

Similarly Greater Anglia, known to have the most expensive trip per mile in the UK, is owned by state-owned Dutch national rail operator Nederlandse Spoorwegen. This calls for a great argument to nationalise the public transport services in this country, as any profits made can actually go into investing in improving the services and ultimately lowering the fares of public transport to make it accessible to people on all wages, rather than going into the pockets



of companies abroad. As well as this, money needs to be invested in improving public transport services for wheelchair users and those with disabilities, as we can't expect an increase in usage if the services on offer are not truly accessible.

With reliable, reasonably priced and accessible public transport I'm sure we would see a decrease in individual car usage, which would prove to have a plethora of benefits from less wear and tear on the roads to reduced carbon emissions - and I certainly hope a fully nationalised public transport network is something we can strive for in the not too distant future under a Labour government.

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YOUR EDUCATION NEWS

Youngsters learn more about good work that guide dogs do

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Harley, Tom, Thomas and Leon meet a guide dog

PASSMORES Academy invited the Guide Dogs Society to talk to Year 8 students recently, about what it is like being a guide dog puppy trainer and what positive impact that this has on those who are blind or partially sighted.

There was also an interactive guide dog demonstration on the school field from the National Guide Training Centre in which blind folded students had the opportunity to lead guide dogs around a series of obstacles.

Indoors, students had the opportunity to explore the effects of different sight-related illnesses as well as design and present their own Guide Dog campaigns.

To round the day off some students baked human 'dog biscuits' for

a break time cake sale and the money raised also went to the Guide Dogs charity.

One Year 8 student, Leon, said: "It was a really good day.

"I learnt a lot about which dogs are easier to train for the visually

impaired and that my own dog would make a good service dog but not a good guide dog."

All the students had a fantastic day of building awareness of guide dogs and the fabulous job that they do every day.

MP joins celebrations as school raises enough for a defibrillator

ST James' C of E Primary School was excited to welcome local MP Robert Halfon.

His visit was to celebrate raising money for a school defibrillator, which is now available for the school and surrounding community for use in emergencies during school opening hours.

Throughout last year, children, parents and staff raised money by running a cake stall and an Easter egg competition.

The staff were overwhelmed by

the response and generosity of the St James' families, who donated masses of home made cakes and Easter eggs to help raise £970.

Mr Halfon met with the school council, Year 4 and Year 2 and enjoyed a question and answer sessions about working in the Houses of Parliament and being an MP.

Several children expressed afterwards that they now aspired to become an MP like him.



The children welcomed Robert Halfon MP to St James' C of E Primary School

YOUR COMMUNITY NEWS

Harlow

FUNDRAISING QUIZ: Amnesty International Harlow group is hosting a pub quiz on Friday, November 2 to help fundraise for their local campaigning.

There are some great prizes from local businesses for the winners, and are encouraging people to get their teams together for a night of quizzical fun to help raise funds for Amnesty International's Harlow branch.

Taking place at the Bunt Mill Snooker and Social Club, the quiz costs £10 for teams to enter with a maximum of five team members.

Guests are advised to arrive promptly at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Chris Vince will be the quizmaster for the event.

Please note the bar is cash only.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE: Hosted by St Clare Hospice on Sunday, November 25 from 12.30-4pm at Great Parndon Community Centre, Abercrombie Way, Harlow, CM18 6YJ.

Entry is £1 per person. Please get in touch to book a stall.

RUMPELSTILTSKIN:

This Halloween half term Rumpelstiltskin will be at The Victoria Hall Theatre, Old Harlow, Essex.

Meet the princess and her friend Mouse as they make a deal with the cheeky and infamous Rumpelstiltskin. With fun, comedy, songs and theatre magic.

This is a great way to spend the Halloween half term. £9.50 All tickets: www.ticketsource.co.uk/rumpelstiltskin

Dates: October 21-27, daily at 11am and 2pm.

LIVE MUSIC: Following a storming set at Phoenix Live in July, Black Wax is proud to be bringing The Len Price 3 back to Harlow on Friday, October 26.

It might be closer to Halloween, but it feels like Christmas has come early because this one is free entry.

Black Wax heads to The Herald pub for a night of rock and roll, garage, punk, rhythm and blues and soul vinyl spinning with a live set from The Len Price 3 who play a special warm-up show for their appearance at the Shiine On Weekender.

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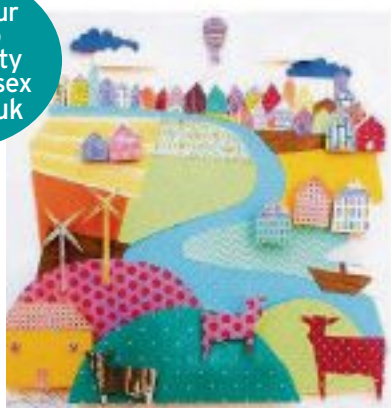
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The Gallery at Parndon Mill presents a series of exhibitions of fine art

THE Gallery at Parndon Mill is to present a series of exhibitions of fine art and crafts by skilled and distinguished artists.

During the Christmas period, the Present Arts exhibition maintains the same high standard, but the emphasis is on works of art which are affordable.

The skills of many of the artists who have studios at the Mill are represented, showing artworks in glass by Jon Lewis and Ewa

Wawrzyniak, ceramics by Aila Simpson and Geli Hinton, textiles by Connie Flynn, paintings by Chris Seaber, original prints by Tanya Scott-Durrant, Liz Boast and Kirsten Wilson and silver jewellery by Yuki Kokai.

Regular exhibitors who work nearby include Margaret Gardiner whose meticulously-crafted salt glazed ceramics are well known and Marilyn Andreotti whose colourfully decorated red

earthenware is popular.

Ruta Bartkeviute who comes from Lithuania makes pots which are very colourful, decorated with a hint of traditional European folk art.

There will also be work by several artists who are new to The Gallery or are showing a fresh body of work. Claire Green, Ralph Overill and Kathy Gales present paintings, collages and prints.

Glass artists Anona Wyi and

Caroline Moiret display dishes and vessels which are a joy to look at as well as utilise.

This exhibition is open from November 1 to December 23 with a feast for the eye and is a great opportunity to acquire a unique and special present, something new for the home, individual cards, or even decorations for the Christmas tree.

The Gallery is open Tuesday to Friday 10am to 5pm, Sundays 2-4pm or by appointment.

Health Pilates and More on 07717 333234, email activehealthpam@gmail.com or visit www.activehealthpilatesandmore.com

FITNESS CLASS: 50-plus fitness group, Move It or Lose it, takes place on Tuesdays from 1.30 to 2.30pm at Roydon Village Hall.

All abilities, men and women welcome. £5 per session.

Call 07974 721527 for more information.

Rushden

LACE MAKING: The Rushden Lace Club meets on the first Monday of the month in the village hall, and all types of lace are made under the expert tuition of Bridget Cook.

Beginners are welcome to join the group, where tea, coffee and biscuits

are supplied - although you will need to take your own lunch.

For more information, call Eva on 01763 288357.

Saffron Walden

CHRISTMAS FAYRE: Friday, November 2 from 10am to 2pm at Lord Butler Leisure Centre, Peaslands Road, Saffron Walden, CB11 3EG.

Entry is just £1 per person, with

children attending for free

Sandon

GREEN FINGERS: Sandon Gardeners' Club meets every second Monday of the month at Sandon Village Hall at 7.30pm.

If you have an interest in gardening, go along and join. New members are always welcome.

Contact chairman John Handley at:



The End of Summer Bash was a big success

A way of giving something back to community

AKORABA Promotions is a start-up company, aiming to entertain, bring fun, integration, cohesion and inclusion to the community.

It also promotes local businesses and giving back to the community in Harlow by helping raise funds for local and international charities.

Its slogan is Akoraba Promotions = Vibrant Harlow. Recently Akoraba organised an event aiming to bring entertainment, community inclusion and integration, along with promoting local business and selling raffle tickets in aid of Harlow Foodbank.

It held a community party to celebrate a great summer. With great weather on the day, Charley Sauce, NAS Foodilicious, Kludoe Ventures and Sylvia's Catering all took part.

These entrepreneurs were at the event to showcase what they do and to interact with the community.

The event met its major aim as those present brought food to share with others in the community, with local delicacies and cuisines laid out by the entrepreneurs and visitors.

Those in attendance included diverse people from different backgrounds and cultures, from young to old and attracted between 80-100 visitors.

The day also included a variety of activities and games for children including a bouncy castle, activity books, colouring and musical chairs.

There was also fun and games for adults and music

from DJ NYK, one of the sponsors of the day.

Helen Varrier CEO of Akoraba Promotions said: "Our sponsors were awesome with their contribution towards the raffle prizes and fresh food for the enjoyment of all the attendees from Harlow and surrounding areas, ranging from dinners at some of the best restaurants in Harlow to bowling and shopping vouchers.

"We are grateful to Merlin restaurant, Wetherspoons, Riley's, Harlow Bowl, Subway, Lidl, DJ NYK, Great Pardon community Association, Subrus, Specialised Security, Rhema Décor, Mary Kay Cosmetics for not shying away from their social responsibility to the community through their individual contributions.

"Most of the attendees were taken aback when we announced what the aforementioned companies gave towards the event,

"We were able to raise some money through the raffle for Harlow Foodbank, we are still waiting on some pledges and also we had lots of our attendees bringing in some long-life food tin items for Harlow Foodbank.

"Once we have all ready and boxed will donate to the Harlow Foodbank as we have already done twice this year.

"Finally, the feedback from the samples of attendees and entrepreneurs collected was highly satisfactory based on the atmosphere, the aim of the event, food, activities, music, interaction and inclusion, ticket price."

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Sawbridgeworth

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Standon

TEEN DANCE: DDMIX (Diverse Dance Mix) dance fitness classes are held every Wednesday at Standon Village Hall for teenagers between

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Deaths

KENNETH BREWSTER (Ken)

Sadly passed away on 5th October 2018 at Princess Alexandra Hospital after a long illness, aged 79. A dearly loved husband, dad and grandad.

Funeral service will take place at Parndon Wood Chapel on 2nd November, at 1pm.

Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to Dementia UK; via Daniel Robinson & Sons, Harlow Tel: 01279 426990

Charles Albert PAGE Charlie

Sadly passed away on Tuesday 2nd October 2018 aged 72 years. Funeral Service will be held at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Friday 26th October at 12.15pm.

Flowers, or donations made payable to 'St Clare Hospice' may be sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow, CM20 1QP. Tel: 01279 426990 or via the In Memory page www.drobinson.co.uk

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Barry Stephen MORRIS

(Former Teacher at Herts and Essex High School)

Passed away peacefully on Saturday 13th October 2018, aged 80 years

Much loved Husband, Father and Grandfather. He will be sadly missed by all his family and friends

Funeral service to take place at Parndon Wood Crematorium, Harlow on Wednesday 24th October 2018 at 4.00pm

Family flowers only please but donations, if desired, may be made payable to "Alzheimer's Research" and sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, 79 - 81 South Street, Bishop's Stortford CM23 3AL or via the "In Memory Donation Pages" at www.drobinson.co.uk



WILLIAM MULLEN (BILL)

Suddenly, but peacefully in the Princess Alexandra Hospital on 26th September 2018, aged 77 years. The beloved Husband of Abigail, A dear Dad to Mike, Father in Law to Justine and a wonderful and loving Grandad to Toby. He will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Bill's Funeral Service is to be held on Tuesday 23rd October 2018 at Parndon Wood Crematorium at 2.30 p.m. Flowers welcome or donations if desired for Cancer Research UK. Cheques made payable to Charities Account. All Enquiries, Flowers and Donations to Masterson Funeral Home Ltd, Independent and Family Owned Funeral Directors, Station Road, Old Harlow, Essex. CM17 0AS. Tel: 01279 626238.

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Love from Mum and Dad xxx



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Margaret MORRIS

18/01/32 - 17/10/17

Mum,
A year has passed and it's still so hard, we miss you so much.

All our love,
Debra and Ann

x x x



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Mam, Bill, Kieran & Sean.

William James BARRALL

Bill passed away on 16 October, 2017, shortly after his 92nd birthday. Much loved and missed by his family and friends.

Patrick Joseph BYRNE

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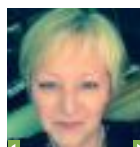
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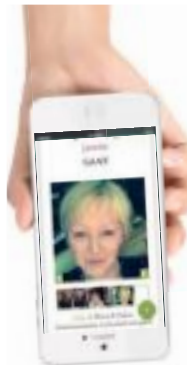
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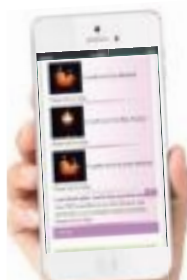
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xxx

80th



Look Who's 60!



WELLS
Kevin

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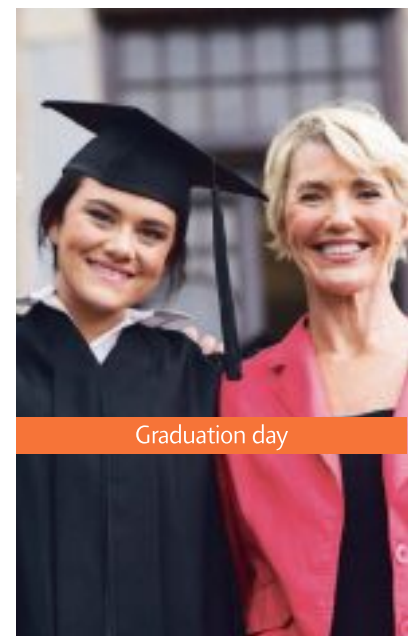
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MUSIC

Raising the Alarm

By **MARTIN NEAL**martin.neal@reachplc.com
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WHEN Mike Peters speaks, you know he's going to be worth listening to. Passionate, honest, articulate and driven, you couldn't wish for a better person to be stuck in a lift with for a couple of hours.

Our conversation took place not in lift but on the phone – me in my office in Chelmsford and Mike in his North Wales home, fresh from playing his first and most recent albums back to back for a select audience to celebrate National Album Day.

Some will know him as the frontman of cowboy punks The Alarm who, with improbably tall spiky hair, had a string of hits in the 1980s.

But as a cancer survivor, husband of a cancer survivor, tireless charity worker and assiduous recording artist who still tours on both sides of the Atlantic regularly with the current, more modestly coiffured, incarnation of The Alarm, he has plenty to bring to the table.

"I played Declaration, the first Alarm album (released in 1984), and Equals (released in June), our latest album, back to back," explained Mike of the National Album Day event at Liverpool's Parr Street Studios last week.

"It was a really interesting event for me because I asked the audience to be silent throughout the event.

"Normally everyone is singing along at full voice and that changes the whole dynamics of it. So it was a rare opportunity to play a silent gig and be able to hear the acoustics of each song. You could hear a pin drop.

"It was also interesting to hear the songs played in that sequence because they don't get played in that sequence usually.

"To feel that live, you can feel that the DNA of this band in the early albums is still there in the modern day, and the songs on the latest album sound as good as the songs on the first one."

When The Alarm disbanded in 1991 you could have been forgiven for thinking that would be the last you'd heard of the band.

But with a renewed vigour and a new lineup, he revived The Alarm in 1999 and, using inspirational optimism as a weapon against whatever life chooses to throw at him, he's still at it nearly 20 years later.

"I met Billy Duffy, who plays on a couple of tracks on Equals by the way, when he was out of The Cult and I was out of The Alarm," recalled Mike.

"We put together a short-lived band called Coloursound. We also spent some time hiking in the mountains. There was no personal agenda and I learnt a lot from him about the guitarist's role in a band and he learnt a lot from me as a singer.

"We played a gig in London and Eddie McDonald from The Alarm was in the audience and so was Ian Asbury from The Cult, and people were saying 'why don't you get The Alarm back together, why don't you get The Cult back together?'"

Mike Peters of
The Alarm
Andy Labrow



"Sometimes you have to hold up a mirror and say 'I like that reflection. That is who I am'. As Gandhi said 'sometimes you have to go away to come back stronger'."

Equals is The Alarm's 16th studio album (including all four that made up the Poppyfields bond) and what makes Mike prouder than anything in his career is that the early songs still stand up today.

"Those songs still have a lot of relevance, and that's what we aspire to," explained Mike. "I didn't form a band to have hit singles, I did it because I wanted to write songs that resonated with people and I am proud that exists."

The Alarm's biggest hit was 1983's 68 Guns, its rousing chorus "68 guns will never die, 68 guns our battle cry" typical of the passionate flame that burns so brightly in Mike Peters' creative soul.

"I sing 'never die' when I sing 68 Guns," said Mike. "When I walk past a building site people will shout '68 Guns' but there is a hidden depth inside our songs. It's the aftermath that carries us into the future."

The Alarm famously passed themselves off as a precocious young up-and-coming

group of bright young things called The Poppyfields to have a hit with 45RPM after the press and radio stations decided The Alarm were too old to be worthy of any attention or airplay.

But since then they've gone on to attract a new, younger audience without even a hint of subterfuge. Three of their songs featured on tween Netflix drama 13 Reasons Why ("the next morning we had a 1.5 million new listeners on Spotify") and they appeared on last year's Vans Warped Tour in the US.

They're back off to the States later this month before embarking on a winter UK tour (which begins at London's ULU on November 28) while plans for The Gathering, the band's annual festival of all things Alarm, its sister event Gathering NY across the Pond and a whole bunch of other stuff is already being planned for next year.

More than 30 years since The Alarm first burst into our consciousness, Mike Peters is as busy and passionate as ever, and showing absolutely no signs of slowing down.

■ Read the full interview at www.esselive.news

LIVE MUSIC



10CC come
to Southend

10CC Cliffs Pavilion, Southend, March 5

ART popsters 10cc are hitting the road for again for a UK tour next spring, and they're calling in on Essex. Famous for a string of hits in the 70s including No 1s Rubber Bullets, I'm Not in Love and Dreadlock Holiday, original members Graham Gouldman and Co have been racking up the passport stamps with dates all over the world since reforming in 1999.

Tickets available from Ticketline.co.uk or the Cliffs Pavilion box office.

DOWN THE PUB



Automatic Slim
(singer Tim
Aves with hat)

STILL going strong...Automatic Slim's first gig was way back in November 1982 and Tim and the gang are back at the Boars Head, Braintree this Friday. So for some good old fashioned rhythm and blues, head down there on Friday night.

Gigs for October 19-21:

- Star & Garter, Moulsham Street, Chelmsford: Friday - Rewind; Saturday - The Stents
- The Bull, Colchester: Friday - The Strides
- Cricketers, Southend: Friday - Scam 69; Saturday - The Mint
- Horse & Groom, Braintree: Friday - Iron Heart
- Waggon at Wix: Saturday - Mr Spankey & The Hipthrusters
- Rose & Crown, Bishop's Stortford: Saturday - The Hamwabs
- Golden Fleece, Chelmsford: Friday - Repertoire Dogs; Saturday - Red Leaf
- Railway Hotel, Clifftown Road, Southend: Friday (8pm) - Starlite Trio; Saturday - Hare & The Hoofe; Sunday (afternoon) - The Roosters
- Walton Tavern, Walton-on-the-Naze: Saturday - The Stents
- Boars Head, Braintree: Friday - Automatic Slim; Saturday - Gridlock
- Cow & Telescope, Southend: Friday - Saviours; Saturday - The Skalites
- Cock Inn, Bishops Stortford: Saturday - The Chevrons;
- Smugglers Den, Hullbridge: Saturday - Mischief
- United Brethren, New Writtle Street, Chelmsford: Saturday - The Warehouse Blues Band; Sunday - Christian Smith
- Royal British Legion, Runwell Road, Wickford: Saturday - Gunrunner

FILM REVIEWS

with DAMON SMITH

ALSO OUT THIS WEEK



Madison Iseman, Jeremy Ray Taylor and Caleel Harris in *Goosebumps 2*

DANIEL MCFADDEN

GOOSEBUMPS 2: HAUNTED HALLOWEEN (PG)

★★

TERROR creeps up when you least expect it. I felt its icy fingers slither down my back and tingle my spine about 20 minutes into *Goosebumps 2: Haunted Halloween*: the action-packed sequel to the 2015 family-friendly horror comedy based on the book series by R. L. Stine.

Blood slowly drained from my face, my heart skipped a beat as a rasping voice echoed in the darkness of the cinema: "This film has been raised from the dead solely with box office takings in mind."

The first *Goosebumps* was laden with wicked tricks and treats including tour-de-force comic performances from Jack Black as author Stine and the voice of a demented puppet called Slappy, who unleashes monsters from one of Stine's books on the unsuspecting students of Madison High School.

Alas, Black is largely absent from Ari Sandel's laboured follow-up, which unravels quicker than a mummy's bandages in the fictional town of Wardencliff, where inventor Nikola Tesla once conducted his daring experiments with electricity.

This close-knit neighbourhood is a picture-perfect location to bring Halloween to life: carved pumpkins sprout wings, plastic vampire bats take flight and scary masks sprout legs, arms and bodies to strike fear into costumed residents on the scariest night of the year.

There is nothing in Sandel's picture that will shock or disturb audiences, even very young viewers, aside from the unsettling realisation that if this sequel makes a tidy profit, more geese will bump on future *Halloweens*.

Be very afraid.

The film's unlikely heroes are best friends Sonny (Jeremy Ray Taylor) and Sam (Sam Caleel Harris), who set up a company called Junk Bros. to make some pocket money.

The boys agree to clear out the contents of an abandoned house, which used to belong to author Stine (Black), and they discover a lost manuscript entitled *Haunted Halloween* in a secret hiding place.

By opening the tome, the tykes reanimate demonic doll Slappy (voiced by Black), who intends to "create a family of his own by bringing Halloween alive".

Sonny's mother Kathy (Wendi McLendon-Covey) doesn't believe her son's dire warnings about impending doom as she nurtures a burgeoning romance with local pharmacy manager Walter (Chris Parnell).

Then nightmarish creatures descend on Wardencliff and Sonny and Sam unite with Sonny's older sister Sarah (Madison Iseman) and kooky next-door neighbour Mr Chu (Ken Jeong) to prevent the deranged doll from engineering his Slappy ever after.

Goosebumps 2: Haunted Halloween is a crushing disappointment.

The young cast are poorly served by a linear script, which has been purged of laughs, scares and dramatic tension.

Digital special effects don't gel seamlessly with the live action and Black giggles maniacally at his puppet's limp jokes far more than we do.

One last stab at it



Jamie Lee Curtis as Laurie Strode in *Halloween*

RYAN GREEN

HALLOWEEN (18)

★★★

THE boogiemaniac does exist and for decades, he has taken the towering form of masked maniac Michael Myers in a series of blood-drenched thrillers, which began with John Carpenter's seminal 1978 slasher *Halloween*.

Director David Gordon Green and co-writers Jeff Fradley and Danny McBride casually disregard the nine films which followed for a comfortably old-fashioned return to the scene of the original crime: the sleepy community of Haddonfield.

Jamie Lee Curtis and Nick Castle reprise their roles as ultimate survivor Laurie Strode and Michael for a climactic showdown that will appease fans of the series, set to the chilling strains of Carpenter's repetitive synthesiser score.

There is nothing self-reverential, knowing or fussy about this *Halloween*: Michael surprises and overpowers his victims using familiar tactics and the deaths are relentless, clinical and exceedingly grisly.

There are occasional flashes of mordant humour like when a sheriff (Omar Dorsey), who is on the trail of Michael, realises that the madman's rampage coincides with the date of his first killing spree.

"What are we gonna do? Cancel Halloween?" drolly quips the law man.



Judy Greer with Jamie Lee Curtis

RYAN GREEN

Alas, Michael remains eerily silent so the journalists focus on Laurie Strode (Jamie Lee Curtis), the one woman to survive Myers' bloodbath.

She has become a recluse inside a fortified cabin with a basement panic room.

Laurie is reluctant to share the gory details of her past or talk about the estrangement from her daughter Karen (Judy Greer) and granddaughter Allyson (Andi Matichak).

Soon after, the bus which is transferring Michael to a new facility crashes and the hulking predator is released back into the wild.

He heads to Haddonfield where an agitated Laurie tries in vain to prepare her loved ones for the coming storm.

"Say goodbye to Michael and get over it," sighs Ally, dismissing her grandmother so she can party with boyfriend Cameron (Dylan Arnold) and best friend Vicky (Virginia Gardner).

Halloween repeatedly bows its head to Carpenter's original film, relying on solid jump scares to ensure a spiralling body count.

Curtis transforms Laurie into a gun-toting avenging angel, who has secretly prayed for Michael's escape so she can lay him to rest forever with the pull of a shotgun trigger.

Action sequences are briskly choreographed and the script neatly aligns female characters as a unified force of strength against a male aggressor.

Thankfully not, otherwise audiences would be denied one of the stronger instalments of the long-running series.

As the 40th anniversary of the Haddonfield murders beckons, true crime podcasters Aaron Korey (Jefferson Hall) and Dana Haines (Rhias Rees) visit Smith's Grove rehabilitation facility.

They meet psychiatrist Dr Ranbir Sartain (Haluk Bilginer), who oversees the day-to-day care of notorious inmate Michael Myers (Castle), and foolishly attempt to bait the patient by brandishing his mask.

PAST TIMES

THE GREATEST SHOWMAN

New movie *Bohemian Rhapsody* celebrates Queen and lead singer Freddie Mercury. **MARION McMULLEN** looks at the flamboyant life of a born entertainer

I WON'T be a rock star. I will be a legend," Freddie Mercury once declared. He certainly achieved his goal as Queen produced hit after hit from *A Kind Of Magic* and *We Are The Champions* to *I Want To Break Free* and the groundbreaking *Bohemian Rhapsody*.

The latter topped the UK charts for nine weeks when it was released in 1975 and DJ Kenny Everett made sure everyone knew about the single by playing it 14 times in just two days on his Capital Radio show.

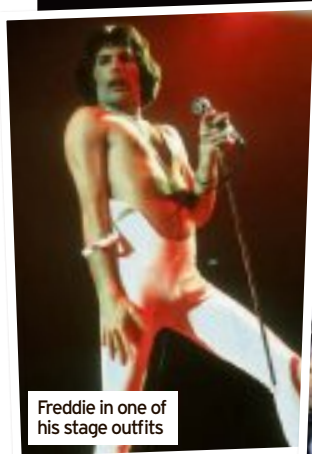
The song is also the title of new movie *Bohemian Rhapsody* which sees Rami Malek take on the mantle of the performer who defied stereotypes.

The film charts the years leading up to Queen's 1985 Live Aid concert appearance.

David Bowie, who also performed at the landmark music event, once said: "Of all the more theatrical performers, Freddie took it further than the rest. He took it over the edge and, of course, I always admire a man who wears tights."



Freddie with Montserrat Caballe in 1987, the year they recorded *Barcelona*



Freddie in one of his stage outfits



Rami Malek as Freddie Mercury in movie *Bohemian Rhapsody*

The son of Bomi and Jer Bulsara, Freddie was born Farrokh Bulsara in Zanzibar in 1946 and spent most of his early childhood in India.

He was just seven when he began learning to play the piano and quickly discovered a passion for music.

The family moved to Middlesex in 1964 and Freddie met Brian May and Roger Taylor when he was studying at Ealing College of Art. The two were in a band called Smile when Freddie joined them and they became known as Queen when bassist John Deacon came along to complete the line-up.

They signed their first record deal in 1973 and the rest, as they say, is history. The group's music and Freddie's larger-than-life stage presence quickly brought them to public attention and won many fans.

Fellow Queen bandmate Brian once described him as a "lover of life. Singer of songs" but drummer Roger said: "No one really knew Freddie. He was shy, gentle and kind. He wasn't the person he put over on stage."

Freddie himself agreed, once explaining: "I'm so powerful on

stage. I seem to have created a monster. When I'm performing I'm an extrovert yet inside I'm a completely different man."

Freddie later embarked on a solo career that led to him singing *Barcelona* with Spanish operatic soprano Montserrat Caballe in 1987.

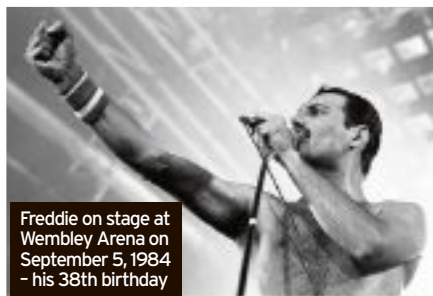
The collaboration later featured at the 1992 Barcelona Olympics after the Queen frontman's death.

Montserrat herself died earlier this month at the age of 85 and Brian paid tribute on Instagram writing: "RIP dear Monty - inspiration to us all, but especially to Freddie."

Freddie had been diagnosed with Aids when he joined his Queen bandmates for Live Aid and led the group to one of their greatest rock performances on July 13, 1985.



Freddie while filming the video for *It's A Hard Life* in Munich, West Germany in 1984



Freddie on stage at Wembley Arena on September 5, 1984 - his 38th birthday

Wearing a white vest and white trousers, he fronted a 20-minute set that began with *Bohemian Rhapsody* and *Radio Ga Ga* and ended with *We Will Rock You* and *We Are The Champions* - with *Hammer To Fall* and *Crazy Little Thing Called Love* squeezed in the middle.

He told the Wembley crowd: "This next song is only dedicated to beautiful people here tonight. That means all of you. Thank you for coming along and making this a great occasion."

Foo Fighters singer Dave Grohl said in 2011: "Every band should study Queen at Live Aid. If you really feel like that barrier is gone, you become Freddie Mercury. I consider him the greatest frontman of all time."



Freddie with Queen bandmates John, Roger and Brian in 1976

Queen lead singer Freddie Mercury on stage at the Live Aid concert at Wembley Stadium on July 13, 1985



Queen in 1981

Freddie died at the age of 45 on November 24, 1991, just 24 hours after he publicly announced he had Aids.

Lady Ga Ga has said: "I adored Freddie Mercury and Queen had a hit with *Radio Ga Ga*. That's why I love the name. "Freddie was unique, one of the biggest personalities in pop music.

"He was not only a singer, but also a fantastic performer, a man of theatre and someone who constantly transformed himself. In short, a genius."

Rami Malek has said he wants to do Freddie and Queen justice in the new movie which began attracting international attention as soon as it was announced.

He revealed on American talk show *Jimmy Kimmel Live!* earlier this year that he was in full glam rock stage costume when he met Freddie's younger sister Kashmira Cooke for the first time.

She took one look at him and just said: "That's my Freddie."

■ *Bohemian Rhapsody* is in cinemas from October 24.

CELEBRITY WELLBEING

Presenter Helen Skelton tells **GABRIELLE FAGAN** how family tragedy shifted her outlook and why her love of fitness has nothing to do with abs

HELEN Skelton, who became a household name as the bubbly, charismatic Blue Peter presenter with a penchant for adventure, is now a familiar face on Countryfile – but she still often hits the headlines for her wardrobe and its apparent ‘malfunctions’.

There was the time her dress was caught in a gust of wind while she was reporting at the London 2012 Olympics, while the length of her skirts during her stint covering the swimming at Rio 2016 whipped up a storm of comment. It was even claimed that her outfits cost her a job in the team reporting on the Commonwealth Games in Australia in April.

Thankfully, Helen – who has two sons, aged three and one, with her husband, rugby player Richie Myler, 28 – has developed a good sense of perspective. Here, the down-to-earth 25-year-old talks about her love of fitness, how two family tragedies have shaped her outlook, and what makes her tick...

How do you cope with criticism of your personal appearance?

LOSING two cousins who were really close to me altered my perspective on life massively. They didn't even get to the age I am, and nowadays I'm just grateful for every extra year I chalk up on Earth, and enjoy life as much as possible.

It means I definitely don't 'sweat the small stuff'. My elder cousin was in her 30s and had breast cancer, and my other cousin died in a tragic accident in her mid-20s. We're a close-knit family and it was traumatic for everyone.

I know being an open, honest, outspoken person gets me into trouble all the time, but I don't know how to be any other way. Sure, sometimes I think, 'Why did I say that?', but at the end of the day, it's all a game really. People getting wound up about me wearing a pair of shorts and say it's affected my getting a job is just plain silly. I thought I looked nice, while my family and friends just laughed and said, 'Helen, you've always worn weird outfits, what's the fuss about?!'

Frankly, you're heading down a dangerous path if you take seriously what people say about you, and I don't read most of it. I believe in a great saying – 'Don't wish life away, and don't look on it as forever' – and when life's stressful, I think of that.

You shocked some viewers and were described as 'too aggressive' in your Sport Relief boxing match against Love Island's Camilla Thurlow earlier this year. Was that fair?

COME on, you're signing up to

It's a dangerous path if you take what people say about you seriously

boxing not ballet, and basically to hit someone in the face! If I hadn't fought like I did and given it everything, it would have been disrespectful to the sport and all the effort my trainer put into me.

I got a black eye, my husband found it difficult to watch and cried, but he was proud of me and I did my best. I wouldn't do it again but I loved every minute of the experience.

What's your fitness regime?

I've been active and dedicated to health and fitness since I was 15 years old, but I don't do it because

it's good for my backside, my abs or to look good. I do it because I enjoy it and get a total buzz out of it. I'm 5ft 2 and never weigh myself and never follow a diet, and off-screen I hardly wear make-up.

I've been lucky to experience so many challenges:

The 78-mile Namibian Ultra Marathon, kayaked the Amazon, cycled to the South Pole, run in the London Marathon.

Our garage is full of every type of sport equipment – skis, mountain bikes, road bikes, boxing gloves, skipping ropes, kayaks, kites. I work out in there regularly and I'm always up for trying a new sport.

What's the secret of your happy relationship?

WE only married in 2013 – so ask me the secret in 10 years time!

Marriages and relationships are not all plain-sailing but we approach it like team work. Rich is the best dad. He's the 'sugar police' when it

comes to their diet and insists on routine, whereas sometimes I'm anything for a quiet life, so we're a good balance.

Our house is chaos usually, as Ernie (three) and Louis (one) are so close in age and are the definition of wild at times. For the time being, we're not having any more, but I wouldn't say no one day. We've just had to buy the biggest bed as they end up sleeping with us every night.

We laugh about the idea of 'date nights'. I can't even fit in time for a hair colour, so how do people find time for those?



Helen with her husband Richie and sons Louis, left, and Ernie

so I spend a lot of time outside – walking, wandering, getting fresh air – and that keeps my head in check.

Countryfile's the ideal job for me, even though some moments have challenged my calm – like getting splatted in the face by a cow pat, and being trapped in a rubber dry suit when I was seven months pregnant and having a group of total strangers try to wrestle me out of it!

Getting enough sleep, exercising and spending quality time with my family and those who are precious to me is key. I'm learning Reiki, a healing technique, and I practise on my husband and the kids but hope to become a trained Master of it eventually.

“People getting wound up about me wearing a pair of shorts and say it's affected my getting a job is just plain silly”

Helen Skelton

What keeps you motivated?

SPENDING time with my kids and Rich, and I love my work in the crazy world of television. I love the variety of live television, entertainment and sport, and my dream would be to cover the Olympics in Tokyo.

What's so rewarding is helping with a campaign: P&G and Sainsbury's £HelpUsHelpThem campaign raising funds for The Royal British Legion and Poppyscotland.

It's really important to help reduce the stress and anxiety of service people and their families across the Armed Forces Community, who are vulnerable and in need. It's for all sorts of people, from serving soldiers to those who've been medically discharged, or relatives of those who've died. There couldn't be a more deserving cause, which I'm proud to support.

What do you feel guilty about?

I FEEL guilty because I love my friends dearly, but I'm a terrible friend and regularly pull out of lunches, birthday parties and meet-ups.

We're really good in this generation at stretching ourselves in all directions and doing things that we think we ought to do, but every now and again, you've got to say no to stuff. With the boys and working all over the country, I literally can't do everything.

■ Helen Skelton is supporting P&G and Sainsbury's £HelpUsHelpThem campaign, raising funds for The Royal British Legion and Poppyscotland. From now until November 20, Sainsbury's shoppers can buy selected P&G health and beauty products, including Oral B, Olay, Gillette and Pantene, in store or online and trigger a donation. One pack = one donation.

FIVE WAYS TO...

HELP PREVENT HEARING LOSS

HEARING loss due to exposure to loud noises is avoidable. Here are some simple things you can do:

1 AVOID loud noises. Sounds over 85 dB can be harmful, especially if you're exposed to them persistently. There are smartphone apps that measure noise levels. Make sure they are calibrated properly to get accurate readings.

2 TAKE care when listening to music. Use noise-cancelling headphones; don't listen to music at more than 60% of the maximum volume, and don't use headphones for more than an hour at a time.

3 PROTECT your hearing during loud events. Move away from sources of loud noises, wear earplugs, try to take a break from the noise every 15 minutes, give your hearing about 18 hours to recover after loud noise.

4 TAKE precautions at work. Your employer is legally obliged to make changes to reduce your exposure to loud noise, making sure you are not exposed to loud noise for long periods, and providing adequate protection.

5 GET your hearing tested. Get a hearing test as soon as possible if you're worried you might be losing your hearing. The earlier it's picked up the better.



DOCTOR'S NOTE

WOOLLY JUMPERS TO CONQUER INSOMNIA

FORGET counting sheep – you should wear them to help you drift off. Wearing woollen clothing in bed could help cure insomnia, according to researchers at Sydney University. They claim that wool helps keep the body in the “thermal comfort zone” most conducive to a good night's rest.

ONE IN FIVE OVER-50S KEEPS THEIR POTENTIALLY SERIOUS HEALTH PROBLEMS UNDER WRAPS

A STUDY by hearing aid manufacturer Signia reveals that older people are reluctant to tell their family and friends about issues and worries, from heart disease to mental health problems.

One in 10 admits they kept information to themselves for more than a year, while 60 % say they don't want to worry those close to them.

FAMILY MATTERS

CHILDREN'S BOOK OF THE WEEK



ISLANDBORN by Junot Diaz, Oneworld, £10.99 (ebook £4.74)

★★★★★
WITH recent reports that only 4% of children's books feature a black or ethnic minority character – not reflecting the make up of British society – this book explores the idea of identity and belonging.

Written by Pulitzer Prize winner and New York Times bestseller adult author Junot Diaz, this is his first foray into the world of children's books. When her teacher asks the class to draw a picture of where they came from, Lola can't remember the island she was born on. So she asks her friends and family what they remember.

The recollections are beautiful and joyous, but also frightening and heartbreaking. What Lola comes to find is what her grandmother told her: "Just because you don't remember a place doesn't mean it's not in you."

All the community's memories of the island are also gloriously illustrated.

PRODUCT OF THE WEEK



THIS spooky Sylvanian Families set contains a pumpkin carriage, two baby figurines in special Halloween outfits, trick-or-treating buckets and sweets.

Baby Crème Chocolate loves her witch hat and her beautiful purple coloured dress and little



Ambrose the Walnut Squirrel baby loves to dress up as a ghost – Oh how adorable they look! The pumpkin carriage of Baby Trick or Treaters Set can be connected to other products such as Candy, Fruit or Popcorn Wagons, Hot Dog Van or the Baby Sleigh Ride Set (all sold separately) for more fun.

Sylvanian Families Baby Trick or Treat Set £14.97, Asda, go to direct.asda.com

Balancing work and life can be tough, but author and working mum Christine Armstrong has some tips for getting it right. **LISA SALMON** reports

MORE mums than ever are returning to work after having children – and discovering that getting the balance right can be very tough as they battle stress in the workplace with juggling family life.

In the last four decades, the number of working mothers has risen from half of all mothers to nearly three-quarters (72%), according to the Institute for Fiscal Studies.

And yet Health and Safety Executive data shows the most stressed group at work is professional women aged between 35 and 44, because of lack of support, sexism, home/work imbalance, and family needs.

Mother-of-three Christine Armstrong experienced such stress after returning to work in advertising following the birth of her first child.

Her own challenges, and subsequently talking to other working mums about their work/life balance, led her to the conclusion that society isn't designed to support women with children and a career.

"Men and women are struggling, but women are having a worse time – and are more stressed – because so many are trying to live up to stereotypes of what a good mum looks like while also holding down a job," says Christine, the co-founder of a communications consultancy, and contributing editor of Management Today.

8 ways for working parents to make family life happier

As a result of her experiences, she wrote **The Mother of All Jobs: How to have children and a career and stay sane (ish)** (Green Tree, £12.99).

"My intention was to show that everyone who feels they're drowning in work and kids is completely normal," she explains.

Many companies are trying to improve things but Christine says we need wider societal changes too, including good universal childcare, sensible working hours and supportive working cultures.

"But there are some things that happier parents seem to do or think compared to those who are really up against it. You may not be able to do them all, but a few may work for you. There are no silver bullets (I am so sorry) but I hope they help a little," she advises.

Here are Christine's eight tips to help make being a working parent really work:

EMBRACE BEING A PARENT

CHRISTINE says there's no need for parents to suppress their maternal and paternal feelings just because they have careers.

"Society is stuck between the old world, where women were home and dads worked and the children were cared for, and a new world where most parents work longer and longer hours and children must be cared for during and around work. It's time we made decisions that enable this transition not to feel like a crisis in every working family across the land."

OPEN YOUR EYES

CHRISTINE points out that new parents may realise society isn't set up to enhance family life, but to

increase economic productivity, and says: "Know that and use it to defend yourself against every negative thought about not being good/capable/hard-working enough."

"We don't have to apologise or feel guilty for



Christine Armstrong

being parents and workers or, even worse, hide that we have kids," she stresses.

"And never judge your own life against the imagined and idealised life you assume others have. The more we dig, the messier everyone's lives look."

MAKE CONSCIOUS CHOICES

BE VERY honest about who you are and what each of you (if you have a partner) believes is important, advises Christine.

"If your burning ambition is to be CEO, then set up your family and structure to support that ambition," she says. "Equally, if you want to be very engaged in the daily lives of your kids, then set your family up that way."

"But in either case, be honest about who you are and know that it will change as you go, and allow space for that change."

PLAN WORK

ACTIVELY plan the amount of time and the place that both parents spend working.

"Don't just tumble into our crazy always-on workplace with a baby on each hip and hope you make it to their 18th birthday without a breakdown. You might not," Christine warns.



Most parents try to cram too many things in at one time

RICHARD IRVINE

DOUBLE
TROUBLE
FOR A
FIRST-TIME
DAD OF TWINS



At last the boys are back on the town

A GOOD man is hard to find.

Due to time constraints, lifestyle and offspring, I rarely saw 'the lads', who were now scattered across the country.

I wasn't about to take it personally, but one had even moved to Hong Kong and the other to Canada, which made social get togethers difficult.

What I needed were geographically convenient men to inject some laddish bonhomie into my life.

I'd found Stu in Tesco, who was great for proximity, but he worked nights so was ineffective as a raucous drinking partner.

Fortunately, I had my eye on a tall chap, who I'd noticed pushing a buggy past the house.

It wasn't long before I knew his general routine and swooped to chat amiably about good nurseries.

Matt, as he's known, turned out to be quite the social butterfly and knew some other men with children.

We even set a date for a lads' night out.

The next man was recruited by me after a brief chat at the supermarket till revealed we were both the father of twins.

He was with his wife and I

asked if he wanted to go for a drink.

After noticing the fear in his eyes, I explained there would be other men present but his wife wasn't invited as this was just 'lads'.

We were now a gang of five and a date was set for a night of excess in a pub close to home, so we could get back if we were needed.

A few weeks later, I hit the bar and found myself waiting alone for an hour.

Eventually, the 'lads' started to arrive with the common excuse the children wouldn't go to sleep.



There's no need to play at happy families - with a little planning you can work out ways to keep everyone happy

Instead, make choices that work for you and your whole family, and be prepared to move jobs, move home, move schools, or change your working structures.

PLAN PLAY AS WELL AS WORK!

ACTIVELY plan the time you both spend not working: when you're caring for children, exercising, having fun, seeing friends or running your home.

This includes not just giving yourself permission to do the things that matter to you, but making them a priority.

CUT COSTS

CONSTANTLY seek to reduce, rather than increase, your spending, Christine advises.

"Everyone thinks they need more money, so consider what your life would look like if you stopped spending and/or stripped out costs," she suggests.

Data from the US shows people have an average of 300,000 items in their homes - and the rise of storage facilities here shows the UK can't be far behind.

"Stop buying stuff you don't even have space for," she says.

TURN IT OFF

TAKE control of your technology and use it in a way that adds to your life rather than minimises it.

This could range from stopping working all evening on your laptop, to turning off Amazon Prime in order to have a chat over dinner instead.

PLAY AS ONE TEAM

SEE your household as both a team and a set of individuals, and make decisions accordingly.

Having children at different schools, ignoring the five-year-old's bad sleeping habits or working opposite shifts to your partner so you don't see each other in the week are all fine, says Christine, as long as they don't bring the household to breaking point.

"Make choices that work day-to-day for everyone," she says.

"If they don't work, don't resolutely battle on with grim determination - make a plan to change them."

- albeit for just **one** night

Let the banter begin. In this case, it was mostly banter about anxieties surrounding child development, toilet training and spousal issues.

The boys were back in town and it was good to share our very similar challenges.

Suddenly, Justin announced he was leaving because he had to take the kids to street dance first thing in the morning.

At this point, we all realised it was 11pm and even though Oliver Reed never left a drinking



Olive Reed never left a session due to family obligations - or anything, really

session due to family obligations, things had changed so we all started to pack up.

We made firm plans to do the same in a fortnight. It never happened.

We set further dates for an even grander outing involving a meal.

It never happened.

We've continued to make arrangements for extravagant nights of decadence with no actual dates, which makes me think we'll meet again when the children leave home.



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John Lewis
and Partners



NAVY ROCKET SPACE WELLIES

(kids 3-10),
£13-£15,
Next



BISGAARD YELLOW THERMO WOOL RUBBER BOOT
£37, alexandalex.com

KIDS' PUZZLES!

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

Can you spot the six differences between the pictures below?



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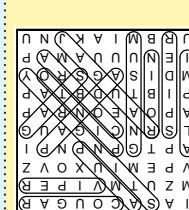
Can you find all these cars with animal names in the grid?

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Solutions



STYLE GUIDE

What's your BAG?

IT'S all about animal print and Seventies vibes on the fashion front for autumn, but what's going down in the accessories department? When it comes to bags, some similar themes emerged on the catwalks and now that the high street collections are landing, we can see how the designer looks have trickled down and what's on offer in the more affordable price category.

Craving some new arm candy? Here are the major bag trends you need to know about now, and where to shop them...

After something stylish to lug stuff around this autumn and winter? **KATIE WRIGHT'S** here to carry you through the best new looks

Dark green bucket bag, £36, Next



Morello crocodile tote, £45, Laura Ashley



Priya croc saddle bag, £25, V by Very



MOCK CROC BAGS

LEOPARD may be the print of the season but when it comes to texture, crocodile is on top. The great thing about this trend is it looks expensive even when your bag isn't - a mock croc tote is the perfect workwear staple.

Below: Leopard cross body bag, £25, Dorothy Perkins



Right: Karine patchwork faux tote, £49.50, Oliver Bonas

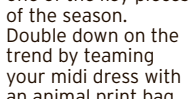


FAUX FUR & ANIMAL PRINT

FAUX fur coats are back - and fluffy bags were big news on the catwalks. If you like the Seventies vibe a tonal faux fur bag will serve, but if you just want a bit of fluff a bright and cosy clutch is all you need.

A feline frock is one of the key pieces of the season. Double down on the trend by teaming your midi dress with an animal print bag.

Left: Faux fur hobo bag, £36, Next



CRUSH OF THE WEEK

If you really like bumbags but think they are a bit 'young' for you, we present the 'grown-up' version. Priced £19.99 at Mango, it comes in black, white or mock croc.



Dress, £55, Collection animal print cross body bag, £35, all available from Marks & Spencer



BEAUTY BUZZ

THE LATEST PRODUCTS

& GLAMOUR

GOSSIP

A MAKE-UP REVOLUTION

ONE of our fave bargain brands, Revolution, has a new £9 foundation that's so good at perfecting skin it's launching with 'zero retouch' campaign images on people of all ages.

Apparently women in their mid-30s and up are Revolution's fastest-growing customer group. Conceal & Reveal is the sister to Revolution's much-loved concealer of the same name, and it has the original's knack of making full coverage flawless AND flattering. Find it at Superdrug.



HERE COME THE CURLS

WE wonder what inspired Lidl's new Silvercrest Quick Curler that sucks hair into



the magic barrel, whirls it round and turns it into a curl? It sounds rather similar to Babyliss' brilliant Curl Secret, except the super-market version costs £29.99 - around a quarter of the price.



GET THE LOOK

KATHERINE JENKINS was dazzling in red sequins at a recent engagement (below right). Her Elisabetta Franchi dress will set you back £1,288 but for a cheaper alternative try this Bardot maxi dress, £70 from V by Very.co.uk



SPARKLY BAGS

Right: Snow White wristlet bag, £48 at Cath Kidston



Above: Rainbow 2 way sequin cross body bag, £9.99, New Look



OBVIOUSLY, we all need a roomy tote or shoulder bag for carting around everyday essentials, but after dark is when we can really have fun with accessories. And that's what the likes of Tom Ford, Chanel and Emilia Wickstead are encouraging us to do this season, with their tiny, glitzy purses. Covered in sequins and crystals, these bags are small on size, big on impact.

Left: London Beauty bag, £70, Dune



BEAUTY COUNTER

NAIL A NEW LOOK

KATIE WRIGHT
looks to the
catwalks for
new-season
nail inspiration

WANT your hands to be as fashionable as your handbag this season? Then you need a mani makeover.

But that doesn't mean expensive salon appointments – the AW18 catwalks gave us plenty of gorgeous nail looks that are easy to recreate at home using polish that costs as little as a fiver.

From juicy brights to mesmerising metallics, these designs will have your fingertips looking fabulous in no time.

Here are five awesome autumn updates to try now...

1 BRIGHT TIPS
AT PALMER//HARDING'S London Fashion Week show, lead nail technician Karen Louise said she was, "updating the classic French manicure with a more playful spin, incorporating diagonal lines with pops of colour".

To create the look, start with a nude base then paint across your nail tips with deep blue or bright red. You don't have to be super-neat with your lines, it's about a fun flash of colour, not precision nail art.

■ Orly Breathable Treatment + Color in Good Karma, £8.95, NailPolishDirect.co.uk

■ Orly Breathable Treatment + Color in Vitamin Burst, £8.95, NailPolishDirect.co.uk

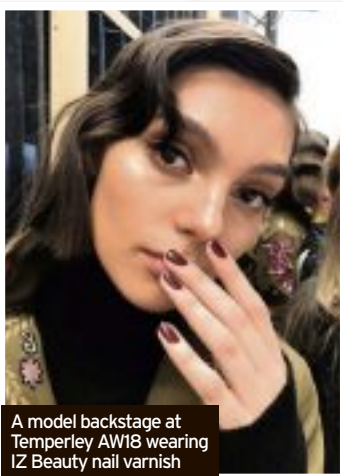
2 JUICY PINK
"THE brief was to create sheer neon pink, so we custom-blended a few drops of hot pink with a top coat to achieve a translucent 'juicy' effect," explains Robbie Tomkins backstage at the Alice Archer show.

"We wanted the

wAn update of the classic French manicure as seen at Palmer/Harding



Neon pink at Alice Archer AW18 using Morgan Taylor nail varnish



A model backstage at Temperley AW18 wearing IZ Beauty nail varnish

nails to also tie in with the striking red shading used in the make-up look."

Try creating your own juicy hue by mixing a bright pink, red or orange shade with top coat for a super-shiny finish.

■ Morgan Taylor Professional Nail Lacquer in Woke Up This Way, £5.70, TNBL.co.uk



3 METALLIC MIX
AT PAUL COSTELLOE, nail technician Sophia Stylianou created a marbled metallic effect that's surprisingly easy to achieve at home. Start with two coats of navy or deep brown, then take a pearlescent silver, wipe off the brush until there's only a minimal amount of polish left and swipe in a criss-cross motion



Seventies shades were on display at Temperley AW18



across the nail.
■ IZ Beauty Gel Effect Nail Polish in Get Focused, £6.

■ IZ Beauty Satin Chrome Effect Polish in Mirror Ball, £6 (both izbeauty.co.uk).

4 SEVENTIES SHADES
IF THERE'S one decade that fashion designers are obsessed with for AW18, it's the Seventies, and that era's autumnal colour palette is a great alternative for nails if you usually reach for the black polish once summer is over.

From burnt orange to burgundy (the colour of choice at Temperley), taupe to tawny brown, there's a Seventies shade for everyone, ready to match with your suede skirts and cord pinafores.

■ Orly Nail Lacquer in Valley Of Fire, £5.99, Superdrug.



■ Mavala Nail Colour Cream in Bergen, £4.95, Nail PolishDirect.co.uk

5 CRYSTAL COLOUR

CRYSTALS have been a huge trend in 2018, used for everything from healing and self-improvement to fashion and beauty, and now shimmering nails are trending, as seen at the Sophia Webster presentation at London Fashion Week.

Webster's models had elaborate crystal and pearl nail art looks, but there's a much easier way to get the look, by choosing one of the four shades from IZ Beauty's Holographic collection – emerald, amethyst, sapphire or magenta.

■ IZ Beauty Holographic Nail Varnish in Magenta Magic, £6.



TRIED & TESTED

WHICH RETINOL PRODUCTS REALLY DO THE JOB?

According to the experts, retinol is the super skin-perfecting ingredient we should all be adding to our skincare routines. Our testers give it a go...

■ Avon Anew Reversalist Infinite Effects Night Treatment Cream, RRP £19.95, avonuk.com

IT comes in a double ended tube with two creams: one you use for the first week, and the other for the second, then you rotate. It promises to reduce signs of aging, fine lines and wrinkles and improve skin tone and dark spots. My skin felt lovely and smooth after a fortnight of use, but no lightening of my dark spots.

★★★★★

■ NSPA Expert Nightly Revitalising Retinol Capsules, £10, Asda

EACH of these little pods contains a cocktail of retinol (pure vitamin A), phytosterols and avocado oil and they claim younger looking skin in four weeks. I am afraid I can't confirm that happened but my skin did feel smoother after a couple of weeks use and I didn't get any of the irritation I have with other retinol products.

★★★★★

■ Templespa Truffellixir Super Luxe serum, £75, templespa.co.uk

DESIGNED to reduce the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles, this retinol-based serum isn't for first-time users. It can make your skin sensitive and irritated. If you use retinol products and fancy a new one, then it could be worth a try.

★★★★★

■ LA Roche Posay Retinol Redermic [R] anti-wrinkle retinol treatment, 30ml, £22.50, beautyexpert.com

THIS was my first introduction to retinol and my skin was a little irritated at first, so much so that initially I had to space out use to every few days. However that passed and I saw a genuine difference to my skin, particularly the areas where I have hyperpigmentation and acne scarring. Will definitely buy again.

★★★★★



FOOD & DRINK



PERFECT PANCAKES

FLAXSEED CRÊPES
(SERVES 2-3)

"I've always been a pancake lover, so this crêpes recipe is one of my favourites," Lucy says.

"They're really quick and easy, and just so useful."

"They taste exactly like the crêpes you would have that are non-vegan; you just wouldn't imagine that you could recreate it that well."

INGREDIENTS

1tbsp ground flaxseed
140g plain flour
A pinch of salt
250ml soya milk
1tbsp vegan margarine, melted, plus extra for greasing
Lemon juice and maple syrup, to serve

METHOD

1. Put the flaxseed in a small bowl and add three tablespoons of hot water. Stir well, and then leave to gel for five minutes.
2. Sift the flour and salt into a bowl and add the milk, the flaxseed mixture and the melted

margarine. Whisk together to make a smooth batter. Rest the batter for 30 minutes.

3. Heat a knob of margarine in a non-stick frying pan over a medium heat and add a ladleful of the batter, then swirl the pan to coat the base with the batter.

4. Cook the crêpes until golden, then toss it or turn it over using a spatula and cook the second side in the same way. Keep the cooked crêpes warm while you repeat with the remaining batter.

5. Serve with a squeeze of lemon and a drizzle of maple syrup.

6. The batter will keep in the fridge for up to three days but may need a splash of milk to loosen the mixture as the flaxseed will continue to swell.

ENTERTAIN THE IDEA OF VEGANISM...

Everyday eating was the focus before, but Lucy Watson's follow-up vegan cookbook is all about occasions. **PRUDENCE WADE** finds out more

LUCY WATSON found fame as a straight-talker on *Made In Chelsea* – but her reputation has definitely mellowed since leaving the hit E4 reality series.

She's since found her niche in vegan cooking and paved a new career path. Far from just a passing food fad, plant-based eating seems to be here to stay, and Lucy has just released her second cookbook, *Feed Me Vegan: For All Occasions*.

Where the 27-year-old's first book, published last September, was all about finding vegan-friendly versions of her favourite meals, now that she's more experienced, Lucy's focus has shifted to entertaining.

Here, Lucy reveals how she's getting into her vegan groove...

HER LOVE OF ENTERTAINING

HAVING mastered basic survival on a vegan diet, Lucy's enjoyed being able to switch her attention and indulge in what she loves: Entertaining.

She says she was never really into cooking for friends, but: "Now I'm obsessed with it – I'm literally designing my kitchen around entertaining because that's all I want to do. I want to have dinner parties all the time!"

There's a practical element to hosting too: "As a vegan, it's easier if you're entertaining because you don't have to be difficult sitting at someone else's house telling them what you can't eat – everyone can have vegan food!"

THE VEGANISM BOOM

IT'S perhaps no surprise Lucy chose vegan entertaining as the theme for her new book: Plant-based eating has exploded in popularity over the past year, and there's now a bigger market for in-depth and crowd-pleasing recipes.

"Veganism has definitely turned into a trend," she agrees, citing the record-breaking success of this year's Veganuary – the campaign to get people to eat plant-based for the month of January grew by 183% in 2018, with 168,542 people signing up.

"If people weren't vegan, they've at least heard about it, had friends who were doing it or were considering it themselves," says Lucy. "It's definitely made the whole thing a lot easier and more socially acceptable, which is amazing."



Lucy Watson, left, and her new recipe book – *Feed Me Vegan: For All Occasions* – below left



SHARING HER VIEWS

ALTHOUGH she loves cooking, it's animal activism that really fires

Lucy up – and she's by no means quiet about it on Twitter.

"Even if I wasn't in this job, I'd still be compelled to speak out," she says. "I'd still be trying to do my part, maybe even getting more involved and actually saving animals in undercover trips, or something like that."

TRAVELLING AS A VEGAN

VEGANISM might be more mainstream now, but that's not to say it's a complete walk in the park. Travelling is still something that can prove challenging.

"There are definitely countries that are trickier than others," Lucy acknowledges with a sigh.

"Places like France and Spain,

which traditionally love meat and cheese."

In fact, she was recently turned away from a restaurant in Spain, which "point blank said they wouldn't cater for me".

She's positive about progress that's being made though, and says incidents like that are rare.

"It's getting so much easier. In the last year, I've found the response from waiters to be a lot more welcoming. They're not as unfamiliar with it, it's not something they can really ignore any more."

"This is happening and people all over the world are going vegan, so you have to accept it."

If you want to entertain with a vegan menu, try these three recipes from Lucy's new book.

■ **Feed Me Vegan: For All Occasions** by Lucy Watson is published by Sphere, priced £18.99.

ONE of the best things I do, thanks to this little corner of printed words, is meet people who make wine. I can enthuse forever about a glass of wine; and enthuse even more if I've met the people behind that liquid treat.

Wine isn't just about how it tastes – it's about why it tastes like it does. Learning about the grapes, the geography, the people, the weather, the skill and the science all adds up to geek overload for someone like me.

This week I met Kyle Thompson, senior winemaker at Saint Clair Family Estate in Marlborough, New Zealand, who was on a flying visit to our shores. Marlborough has a fantastic reputation for sauvignon blanc and pinot noir wines yet it is still very much a

RAISE A GLASS

WITH JANE CLARE



region on a learning curve.

Kyle told me: "New Zealand is such a young wine-growing country. We Kiwis are learning fast – we've got to! We're at the end of the world and we have to get out there and do it. We haven't got 300 to 400 years of wine history, we've only got 35 or 40 years."

"At Saint Clair each vineyard has its own individual flavour and individual terroir and the whole ethos of Saint Clair is to capture the land and capture the flavour."

"That's the secret to St Clair wines – power and pungency in sauvignon blanc and a beautiful intensity in our pinot noir."

Here are two of his wines:

■ **Saint Clair Wairau Reserve Sauvignon Blanc 2017 (RRP £22.99, Majestic, Spirited Wines, New Zealand House of Wine):** Tropical fruit, such as passion fruit, lychee and papaya play on the senses alongside blackcurrant leaf, green fruit and nettles. It has a wake-up call of acidity and vibrant fruit in the mouth, but is beautifully in balance. The mouth sensation lasts a deliciously long time. It's a power pack of Marlborough sauvignon blanc.
■ **Saint Clair Pioneer Block 14 Doctor's Creek Pinot Noir 2015 (RRP £19.99, Majestic,**

Oddbins, New Zealand House of Wine)

The grapes are selected from a single vineyard called Doctor's Creek – so-named after a small stream which runs through its centre. It has a moreish, complex nose – one nose dip brings coffee beans, another blackcurrant. Then there's black cherry, redcurrant and plums. The wine has been aged in oak adding layers of complexity and a subtle spatter of spice.

ALSO IN MY GLASS...

■ **BORRAGO #47 Paloma Blend (RRP £19.99, 50cl, from borrago.com, masterofmalt.com)** is an option if you're taking on the Stoptober challenge (and jolly good luck to you). Borrage is a non-alcoholic spirit distilled



with botanicals. The recipe is a secret but I'm told two of the botanicals are rosemary and cardamom for "depth" and "a mouth-watering nose".

The jury is out. I thought the nose was medicinal and it brought back childhood memories of hiding under a towel above a steaming bowl of water, sneezing. It is bitter to taste and lacking substance.

I added tonic and ice (as the Borrage team suggests, it is ideal as a base for alcohol-free cocktails) and things improved. The nose opened up with flowers and lavender, with a lift of citrus. Borrage almost redeemed itself. ■ Jane is a member of the Circle of Wine Writers. Find her on social media and online as One Foot in the Grapes.

INGREDIENTS**For the stew:**

200g dried white beans
1tbsp olive oil
2 onions, thinly sliced
3 garlic cloves, crushed
130g vegan chorizo sausages, cut into thick slices
2tbsp sundried tomato paste
230ml vegan red wine
2 bay leaves
2 thyme sprigs
3 large carrots, cut into thick slices
2 celery sticks, cut into 2cm lengths

2tbsp balsamic vinegar
400g tin tomatoes
2tbsp tomato puree
750ml vegetable stock

For the dumplings:

130g plain flour
Zest of 1 lemon
A small bunch of dill, fronds roughly chopped
75g vegetable suet
2tbsp Dijon mustard

METHOD

1. Put the white beans in a saucepan, cover with water and bring to the boil. Boil the beans for 10 minutes, then turn off the heat and leave to soak for three hours. Drain the beans after they have soaked. Leave to one side.



2. Preheat the oven to 150°C (130°C fan, gas 2). Put the oil in a flameproof casserole and cook the onions over a medium heat until soft and translucent. Add the garlic and chorizo, and cook for two minutes. Stir in the tomato paste and cook for one minute.
3. Add the wine, bay leaves and thyme, and allow to bubble away for four to five minutes until reduced.
4. Add the remaining ingredients, including the soaked beans. Bring everything to the boil, cover and transfer the casserole to the oven and cook for two-and-a-half hours.

MEAKE 'EM STEW

VEGAN WHITE BEAN STEW WITH DUMPLINGS
(SERVES 4-6)

5. Meanwhile, to make the dumplings, sift the flour into a mixing bowl and stir in the lemon zest and chopped dill.
6. Add the suet and rub into the flour with your fingertips. Add the mustard and enough cold water to bring the dough together. Roll into walnut-sized balls.
7. Add a splash of water to the stew if it's looking a little dry.
8. Put the dumplings on top of the stew, increase the oven temperature to 190°C (170°C fan, gas 5), put the lid back on and cook for a further 30 minutes until the dumplings are fluffy and firm, then serve.

INGREDIENTS

For the pudding: 40ml sunflower oil, plus extra for greasing; 30g cocoa powder, plus extra for dusting; 110g plain flour; ½tsp bicarbonate of soda; ½tsp salt; 90g soft dark brown sugar; 100ml soya milk; 1tsp instant coffee; 1tsp red wine vinegar; 2tsp ground flaxseed. **For the frozen ganache:** 100g dark chocolate (60-70% cocoa solids), roughly chopped; 100ml soya milk

Note: For an extra twist, add 1tsp of peanut butter in the centre of each fondant with the ganache.

METHOD

1. Make the frozen ganache the evening before; or give it at least two hours in the freezer. Melt the chocolate with the soya milk in a heatproof bowl over a pan of simmering water, make sure the bowl doesn't touch the water. Stir occasionally until the chocolate has melted and is combined with the milk. (Alternatively, put the ingredients in a microwave-safe bowl and microwave at full power for 30 seconds. If there are still lumps, give it 10-second blasts, stirring each time, until combined

**GOOD PUB**

VEGAN CHOCOLATE FONDANT
(SERVES 4)

and smooth). Pour the ganache into an ice cube tray and put into the freezer. Leave for at least two hours.

2. Thirty minutes before you want to serve your fondants, preheat the oven to 180°C (160°C fan, gas 4). Take four small pudding moulds or ramekins that will comfortably hold an ice cube, grease with oil and dust with cocoa powder.
3. Sift flour, cocoa powder, bicarbonate of soda and salt in a large bowl. Using a whisk, mix the sugar into the dry ingredients. In a separate bowl mix the milk, 150ml of warm water, the coffee, vinegar, flaxseed and oil. Whisk wet ingredients into dry ones until combined.
4. Fill each pudding mould to about a quarter with the fondant mixture, then place a cube of ganache on top.

Cover with more fondant mixture until the mould is just over half full. Tap the moulds on the work surface to remove air bubbles. Put moulds on a baking tray and bake in the centre of the oven for 14 minutes – do not open the oven door!
5. When the timer goes, remove from the oven immediately. Gently release the sides of each pudding using a small round-bladed knife. Put a small serving plate on top and flip upside down so that the plate is now the right way up. Carefully lift off the pudding mould.
6. Serve immediately with an extra dusting of cocoa powder.

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It's so moving, so real and unlike **anything** I have read before or seen **before...**

David Tennant stars as the dad of a child with severe learning disabilities in a groundbreaking new series. Here he talks about what attracted him to the role

WRITER Shaun Pye, who you may remember as Ricky Gervais' nemesis Greg in *Extras*, has penned a comedy-drama based on his own experiences as a parent to a daughter with a rare chromosomal disorder.

There She Goes follows the story of nine-year-old Rosie and how her condition affects both her and the rest of the family.

David Tennant plays Simon and Jessica Hynes his wife Emily, with Miley Locke as Rosie in the five-part series. Here David talks about tackling such a sensitive subject.

What appealed to you about *There She Goes*?

SHAUN'S honesty. It was so difficult to read at times. It's so moving, so real and unlike anything I have really read before or seen before. In some ways it has the trappings of a sitcom, but it does not read like one at all. It's just the clarity of that voice, the extraordinariness of the situation and the familiarity of parenthood.

Shaun is writing so truthfully about this experience. I have known him for years because we have worked together. I have also known him a bit socially, but I had no idea that this was his life. To read something that is written so well and has a clear distinct, honest and funny voice – that's quite a rarity.

You have worked with Jessica before. Is that pre-existing chemistry important?

YES. I think familiarity is always helpful when you are trying to tell the story of a couple that have been together for a number of years, especially as we zip back and forward in time. Jess and I have worked together several times now, so anything that you can do to develop a shorthand helps. It's an ease that hopefully will help us to make it as real as possible.

How have you found it working with Miley?

SHE'S astonishing. It's a very

difficult brief she has got because she has no words. But she has got such a pragmatism about her.

Maybe it's just the gift of being younger, but you don't sense the kind of self-consciousness in her that others might feel in taking on a role like that. She can slip in and out of being Rosie without any kind of comment. That's more difficult to do than it might seem, and yet it is what we need in these circumstances. She is a remarkable little girl.

How would you describe Simon? Is it fair to say that he's a bit of an idiot sometimes?

YES. Fair play to Shaun for accepting that he behaved like a bit of an idiot sometimes. I can see why that must have been awful and difficult and infuriating for his wife, and I can absolutely agree that that was not the optimum behaviour. But I certainly don't blame him for that.

Are you concerned that some viewers might be perturbed by *There She Goes*?

I WANTED to do this because it is so honest and so candid.

You do not worry about the political correctness or otherwise of it because it cannot be anything other than just Shaun's honest story. It's the reality of what happened to him and his family, and so there is no kind of comment on that other than just, of course, that's what happened. That is the situation they were in, and the fact that he has managed to be so honest about his own shortcomings within that is creditable as well.

Do you think that what Shaun has done is brave?

IT IS terribly brave, yes, as well as therapeutic and cathartic, I'm sure.

There was one day where we just talked and talked for hours about it all, and at the end he said, "Oh, that was rather a good therapy session".

I suppose there must be a lot to unpack, and I think writing about it helps you unpack it. But it must also be very challenging to look back on.

But Shaun and his wife have done brilliantly, haven't they?

YES. It is just wonderful that they have come through it – what a credit to them! I do not speak for Shaun, but he talks very openly about when it could have gone either way. But life worked out for them.

The show is a wonderful blend of comedy and drama. Is that a hard tone to strike?

I THINK it is just life. If it is funny, it's funny because Shaun is a funny human being, and therefore reacts to his life with a kind of comic bent. What it is not is a sequence of comic happenings.

That has been really important to me; at no point are we trying to construct comic moments. We have got to be ruthlessly honest about how we play it. As soon as you start looking for funny moments beyond the fact of what might happen in a situation, you are lost because you lose the truth of it.

How do you think viewers will react to *There She Goes*?

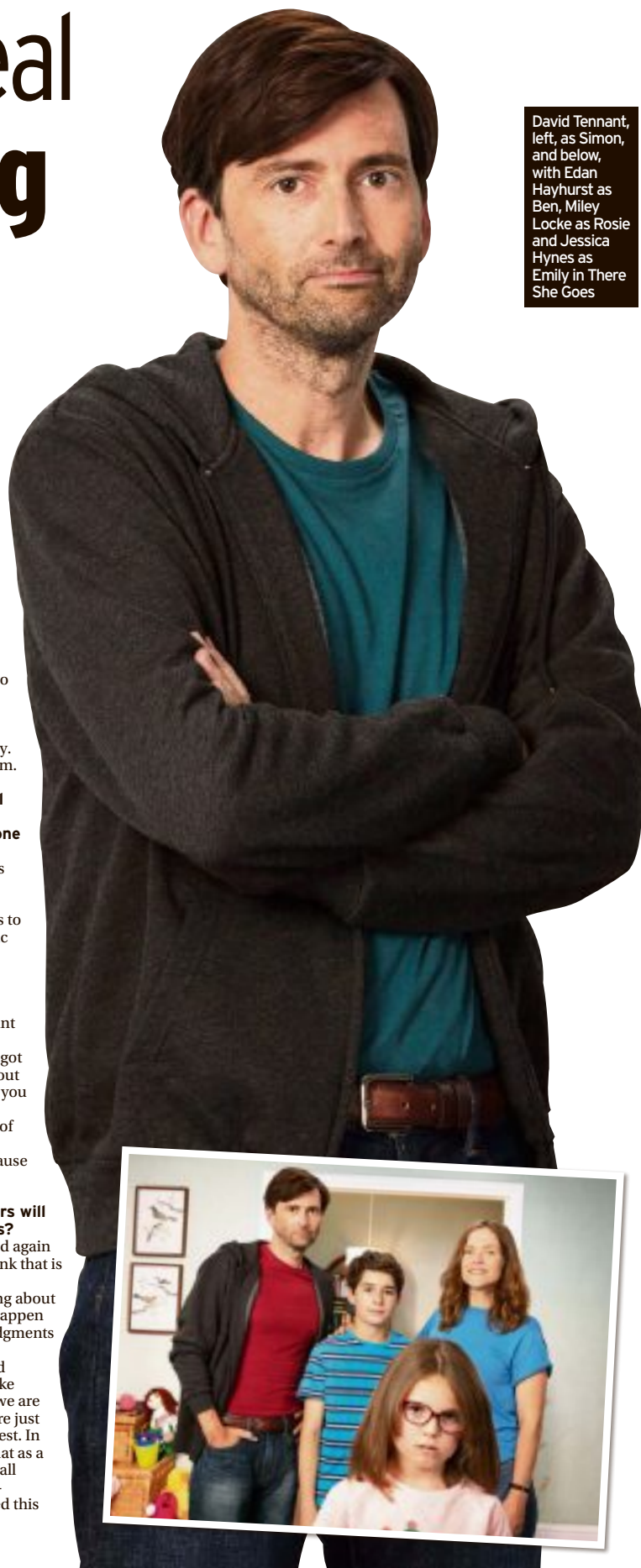
IF it is challenging now and again to people watching it, I think that is OK.

It is not like we are talking about something that does not happen and we are not making judgments about it.

It is hard to portray, hard to tell and also hard to make generalisations about, so we are not trying to do that. We are just trying to be open and honest. In the end, it is really good that as a society we just remember all the people who are under-represented. I am delighted this is happening.

■ *There She Goes* is on BBC4, Tuesday at 10pm.

David Tennant, left, as Simon, and below, with Edan Hayhurst as Ben, Miley Locke as Rosie and Jessica Hynes as Emily in *There She Goes*



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Artists

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C	O	N	I	H	N	D	N	S	S	L	P	N	I	Y
K	H	E	R	S	E	A	E	R	O	B	A	A	C	E
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S	L	Y	Y	E	N	N	S	D	B	S	N	L	R	O
S	I	K	A	N	D	I	K	Y	A	C	O	V	A	D

Split Decision

Cross out one of the two letters in each divided square to reveal a completed crossword grid.

P	L	L	E	N	S
S	A	A	N	S	
L	N	G	L	E	K
H	D	R	E	E	D
A	I	A	G		
N	R	E	M	B	D
G	P	I	A	R	S

Sudoku

There is one simple rule in Sudoku. Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9, and so must each 3 x 3 box.

Easy

8				4		9	1	
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	4			6			5	2
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	6		3	1		8		4
	2	1			4			6

Hard

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		7						
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Two Speed Crossword

This two-speed crossword has two sets of clues, but just one grid. If you can't solve the Cryptic clue, try the Quick.

Cryptic

Across

- Clearly the old boy takes six lousy changes! (9)
- This way of doing things is not completely up-to-date (4)
- Developing possibilities in sniping? (9)
- Contracted a gluttonous vice (6)
- Play court? (5)
- Bury in plain terms (5)
- A group of three patriotic songs is included (4)
- In a sense one can hardly be aimless about it (5)
- Almost nobody has time (4)
- Shaking like a writer (5)
- Dark thing (5)
- Refusal in deal (6)
- Relations of right-wingers he controls? (9)
- They are laid and sat on to produce more layers (4)
- A gift only half taken before long (9)

Down

- I'm under the doctor and can't bear waiting (9)
- Fair share taken after fuss - what exalted regard! (9)
- String orchestra? (4)
- Drive one politician to take on the Spanish (5)
- Not even suffering slight pain? (6)
- Many things for sale (4)
- Prophets who are never in the dark? (5)
- Go the rounds, perhaps (5)
- The hunter's paraphernalia? (9)
- Without limit (but don't be so jumpy?) (9)
- Makes steam less unruly (5)
- More than one over one over the eight (6)
- Another one includes a wader (5)
- Happier finish to column (4)
- Do business in wood? (4)

1		2		3	4		5		6		7	
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27												

Scribble pad

Quick

Across

- Evidently (9)
- Style (4)
- Photos (9)
- Concurred (6)
- Dally (5)
- Bury (5)
- Threesome (4)
- Vision (5)
- Midday (4)
- Poplar (5)
- Period of darkness (5)
- Rejection (6)
- Accounts of the past (9)
- Ova (4)
- Soon (9)

Down

- Intolerant (9)
- Love (9)
- Musical group (4)
- Urge (5)
- Not harmed (6)
- Auction items (4)
- Prophets (5)
- Brawl (5)
- Adornments (9)
- Unlimited (9)
- Domesticates (5)
- Fractions (6)
- Wading bird (5)
- Jetty (4)
- Trade (4)

Codeword

This puzzle has no clues. Instead, every number printed in the grid represents a letter, with the same number always representing the same letter. For example, if 8 turns out to be a V, you can write in V wherever a square contains 8. Using your knowledge of words, complete the puzzle.

	1			10				17			1	22	8	23	23
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	18		7				1		18	6		26	21	3	
24	26	14	15	18	19	25	6	18							19
	4			1				6			22		23		
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8		13		5				2					8		
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16	18	6	11	15		19			6		15				
	19					20	18	8	1	22	23	13			
1	7	19	18	22		13			3			13			

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
				R	A							

Wordsquare

Give yourself ten minutes to find as many words as possible using the letters in the grid. Each word must use the central letter and at least 3 others, and letters may be used only once. You cannot use plurals, foreign words or proper nouns, but verb forms ending in 's' are permitted. There is one 9-letter word to be found.

How you rate:

15 words - average; 25 words - good; 35 words - very good; 40 or more - excellent.

N	P	N
R	M	O
T	I	E

Quiz

- Which new film stars Gerard Butler as a submarine captain tasked with rescuing the Russian President from a rogue general?
- What name is given to gnawing mammals such as rats, mice, squirrels and beavers?
- Who wrote the musical on which the Oscar-winning film Oliver! was based?
- What is the world's second largest ocean?
- With what sort of reference book is Peter Mark Roget



Q1 - Gerard Butler

- chiefly associated?
- Which American sport involves such skills as calf roping and steer wrestling?
- What is the capital of Greece?
- The sulphate of which metallic element is given as a 'meal' to patients before certain X-ray photographs are taken?
- What was the Roman name for London?
- In which English county is the town of Basingstoke?

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

Pathfinder

Australia, The Interpreter, Grace of Monaco, Days of Thunder, The Hours, Eyes Wide Shut, Batman Forever, The Others, Practical Magic, Dogville, The Golden Compass, Stoker, The Invasion, Moulin Rouge!, Dead Calm, Cold Mountain, Far and Away, Rabbit Hole, Bewitched, To Die For, The Paperboy.

Quiz

- Mandy; 2 Honey; 3 Rigor mortis; 4 Istanbul; 5 William Shakespeare; 6 Auguste Rodin; 7 Egypt; 8 Baritone; 9 Royal National Lifeboat Institution; 10 West Indies.

Sudoku

9	6	1	3	2	5	7	8	4
3	7	8	6	9	4	1	2	5
4	5	2	8	1	7	6	3	9
5	1	6	7	3	9	2	4	8
7	9	3	4	8	2	5	6	1
2	8	4	1	5	6	9	7	3
1	3	5	2	7	8	4	9	6
8	4	7	9	6	1	3	5	2
6	2	9	5	4	3	8	1	7

Two-Speed Crossword

Across: 1 Mist; 3 Permeate; 8 Tear; 9 Rent book; 11 Galley proofs; 13 Toward; 14 Claret; 17 Open question; 20 Initiate; 21 Pisa; 22 Emending; 23 Aged.
Down: 1 Mitigate; 2 Slowly; 4 Exempt; 5 Motionless; 6 Aloof; 7 Elks; 10 Bear in mind; 12 Standard; 15 Railing; 16 Button; 18 Poise; 19 Hide.

Wordsquare

WINEGLASS

Split Decision

A	T	L	A	S
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A	R	S	O	N
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Codeword

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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The best trees
and plants for a
colorful show at
this time of year

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HIGH AND MIGHTY

With accommodation set over three
levels, the property offers a real sense
of space and light
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HOT HOUSE



FOUR-BEDROOM HOME IN A GREAT LOCATION



This four-bedroom property is situated within the Clements Park development in Brentwood and is just a short stroll away from the highly regarded Holly Trees

Primary School.

With accommodation set over three levels, the property offers a real sense of space and light, which is emphasised by large windows and high ceilings.

A wide reception hall leads to the contemporary style kitchen and dining area. French doors open up leading to the south facing rear garden, making it a great space to enjoy a warm sunny day.

A utility room can be found off the kitchen with further access to the garden and integral garage.

A convenient cloakroom completes the ground floor.

Moving to the first floor, you will find a

most impressive lounge with access to a large balcony, a double bedroom and a landing area with a further balcony to the front.

The top floor offers a guest bathroom and a further three bedrooms, with the master enjoying an en-suite shower room and built-in wardrobes, allowing for plenty of storage space.

The south facing garden has been beautifully landscaped to include a decking area surrounded by flower beds, which leads on to a grassy area at the end of the garden backed by trees and bushes, providing privacy.

Brentwood station is within easy reach from this property, while the A12 and M25 are both within a ten minute drive.

The property is on the market via Keith Ashton estate agents with a guide price of £750,000 to £775,000.

For more information call 01277 577203 or visit rightmove.co.uk/property-for-sale/property-67000702.html.



YOUR HOME

Weave some woodland magic

Wallsauce Birch Forest sunlight wall mural, from £30 per square metre, wallsauce.com

LOVE NATURE AT THIS TIME OF YEAR? **GABRIELLE FAGAN** REVEALS HOW TO EMBRACE THE SEASON'S RICH PALETTES AND ENCHANTING DETAILS INDOORS

Country style may be a perennial favourite – with its outdoor influences and animal-inspired accessories – but this season, designers have given it a chic

new shake-up.

There are three fresh new nature-inspired looks to choose from. You can embrace woodland wonder and cosy creature comforts, take a walk on the wild side, or follow the fashion for Scandi chalet decor with a neutral palette enlivened with delicate flora and fauna.

Simply choose your path, and let nature work its magic indoors...



Inky floral cushion by Eleanor Soper, £30, [ArtWow, artwow.co](http://ArtWow.com)

WALK ON THE WILD SIDE

"A dreamy country interior doesn't have to be cutesy," declares Nadia McCowan Hill, resident style advisor for online interiors company, Wayfair.co.uk. "It can be chic, contemporary and cool if you embrace interesting textures, luxury materials and accessories full of character."

"Keep the space uncluttered so that carefully curated pieces can really shine. This should be a witty, tongue-in-cheek urban approach that's warm but oh-so-wild, and a world away from the cliché of chintz and cottages."

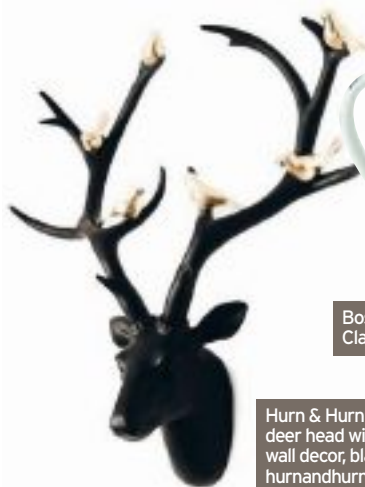
Clarissa Hulse's sophisticated design for her Dusk Bed Linen in indigo/blush (from £19 for a pillowcase, and £115-£170 for duvet sets), evokes the beauty and palette of a rural autumn landscape and could be the perfect finishing touch for a stylish bedroom.



Clarissa Hulse's dusk bed linen in indigo/blush (from £19 for a pillowcase, and £115-£170 for duvet sets), clarissahulse.com



The Enchanted Forest scented candle, £32, Chase & Wonder



Boston Ivy mug, midnight blue, £12, Clarissa Hulse, clarissahulse.com



Hurn & Hurn Discoveries deer head with gold birds wall decor, black, £108, hurnandhurn.com



Hare lamp with black shade, £139.95, audenza.com



Sainsbury's Home hare pair objet, £10



Sainsbury's Home rural retreat cedarwood & spiced plum animal candles, £7.50 for set of three

WANDER A WOODLAND PATH

"There's a growing trend to reconnect with nature and bring the outdoors in, and our [new collection] merges modern design with a classic country aesthetic," says Julie Varma, senior design director, George Home.

"Prints inspired by nature, beautiful ceramic vases in ombre and tonal colours, and whimsical forest patterns adorn cushions and bedding. Copper tones and metallic touches give it a fashionable sharpness and edge."



Vintage auburn gold-framed Canvas, £32, Dunelm



Log cube tealight holder with fox & bells, £6, visit giselagraham.co.uk for stockists

George Home's new collection rabbit cushion, £6, available from selected stores; curved floor lamp, £30; knitted pouffe, £39, and purple Mongolian faux fur cushion, £9



Dozier lumbar cushion, £32.99, Wayfair, wayfair.co.uk

The new Sainsbury's Home range woodland animal printed bedding set double, £21; rural retreat mustard quilted throw £35; rural retreat jumping hare candle, £4.50; hare trinket dish, £6



Sainsbury's Home rural retreat animal printed shade, £12



Woodland 12-piece taupe dinner set, £31, Dunelm



SET A SCANDI SCENE

"Pastels and neutrals are a natural choice for this trend which is simple and pared-back," says Nadia.

"Handmade homewares are the heart of this style. To keep the look modern, layer up with woven rugs, and opt for cushions and duvet sets adorned with embroidery – a huge trend for 2019.

"Cosy cranberry, deepest plum, and rich mustard hues will add warmth to the space if you feel the scheme's too cool," she adds. "Bring decor alive with a botanical pattern of pretty floral, fauna and bird motifs for wallpaper and bedding."



Into the wild squirrel mug, £6, visit Creative-Tops.com for stockists



Thomas Kent Clocks portobello pheasant mantel clock, £24, hurnandhurn.com



Woodland table runner, £22, sophieallport.com

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HOME ADVICE

With Alex Neill of Which?

Insurance firms know home cover is essential, but they won't value loyalty when it comes to premiums



Insuring your home is getting more expensive. Earlier this year, Which? reported a 7.6% annual increase for property and contents cover – three times the rate of inflation.

But for many, it's more. One reader told us his insurance had almost doubled after years of standing still; another how she bought a home and contents policy for £250 one year but was quoted a renewal of £375 – she complained and they halved the increase to £312 but she went back to the same comparison site and found the same policy with the same company for £255. And last winter, The Guardian reported how Halifax charged loyal customers £1,227 but £370 for the same plan for new customers.

Citizens Advice has put in a super-complaint about insurers and others penalising long term customers to watchdog, the Competition and Markets Authority, which has to respond by the end of December.

Insurers blame Insurance Premium Tax – it has doubled over the last three years to 12% (there's no VAT on policy costs) but that's just part of the story.

But in the meantime, you can cut costs. Insurers can play two sneaky – although legal – tricks on existing customers.

They may send renewal notices shortly before policies expire, hoping you'll be panicked into accepting their terms. Make a diary or smartphone note to shop around for new cover at least a month ahead.

The second sleight of hand is automatic renewal. Here, often without you being aware, you've opened your bank account to the insurer to take next year's premiums. Doing nothing, means paying whatever the insurer quotes.

Some companies make it hard to cancel direct debits – you may have to phone and talk to them. Insurers know some customers want an easy life and won't do this – even if it costs them.



Insurance claims are seldom for drastic events, but even minor disasters can be costly: make sure you are covered and at a fair price

ARE YOU PAYING THE RIGHT PRICE?

You need insurance. Mortgage lenders insist on buildings cover although you are allowed to shop around – they can't force their policies on you. Those who have paid off the loan don't have to buy cover but should. Renters only need contents cover.

One sure-fire way of cutting costs is to up the "excess" – the first slice of any claim which you pay yourself. Go for the largest amount you can afford – this cuts premiums but also means you won't make smaller claims which will increase next year's bill.

INSURANCE WATCH LIST

■ Insurers must show last year's premiums in renewal notices. Use this when searching comparison sites to see savings.

■ Companies often profit from add-ons such as legal cover. It's rarely used and possibly not worth it. You may be covered for this elsewhere – it's often included in trade

union or trade association membership.

■ Avoid paying monthly rather than once a year if you can. You could be charged high interest rates and if anything goes wrong with your bank account, you might be uninsured.

■ Garden cover can come with exclusions. Weather related

incidents such as fences blowing down in gales are often not covered.

■ Better locks and other security measures can cut premiums – and make you feel safer.

■ Some policies have set amounts for contents and property – usually far higher than you will ever need.

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YOUR HOME

Time for an autumn clean

Want to get all sorted and calm before winter sets in? Start at home, says **ABI JACKSON**

Spring might rule the roost when it comes to the eponymous seasonal 'Big Clean', but we reckon autumn is prime time for a good spruce and sort-out at home.

Hibernation period is around the corner (so it makes sense to get our nests ready for all those cosy nights in) plus, we're still banking on those 'back to school' vibes (a good tidy-up is the house equivalent of a pristine new diary, after all). And we tend to keep windows closed more during the colder months – and crank up the heating – which means things can get stuffy and dusty.

But let's get things straight: We're all busy. However, a good sort out and scrub down can feel pretty rewarding – meditative, even. It feels good to curl up on the sofa with a bowl of hot soup in a freshly de-cluttered lounge, all the cushions just so.

Here's our guide to tackling a 'Big Autumn Clean'...

BEFORE YOU START

Step 1: Clear your diary

The 'Big Autumn Clean' doesn't happen by magic and you'll need to set aside some time. Either block off a few two-hour slots across a few evenings, or dedicate a weekend to it (but be realistic about how many jobs you can do back-to-back without losing the plot – you're allowed tea breaks).

That might sound ghastly, but think of the money you'll save by holing yourself up indoors in the process – and how good dinner will taste after all your hard work.



balance of jobs that aren't much fun, but really need doing (such as the fridge and oven) and ones that are (slightly more) fun – reorganising your wardrobe and bookshelves.

GET CRACKING

Want some inspiration as to where to

Wash this space – and then empty the cupboards and chuck out non-essential make-up – you'll feel great afterwards

Step 2: Pick your battles

If you want to 'enjoy' your big clean, you need to set targets that are do-able, but still hefty enough that you're going to feel suitably smug afterwards.

Pick a

start? Here are the seven cleaning and sorting tasks we recommend...

1. Freshen up the fridge:

When was the last time you properly cleaned the fridge? As in, completely emptied it out, removed all the shelves and gave it a thorough scrub down, so that every inch is sparkling. Can't remember? Enough said...

2. Conquer the cooker:

Yes we know, it's a hideous job, but you can't put it off forever.

We suggest dodging those nasty chemical-loaded products and taking a greener DIY approach (look up 'natural oven cleaning hacks' online and you'll find lots of recipes for vinegar and baking soda solutions). Mix up your solution, apply it – then leave it to dissolve all that grime while you get on with something else.



3. Blitz the bathroom:

You're probably doing a good job keeping the bathroom clean enough, but those stubborn mould patches that insist on taking up residence in your grouting require a bit more elbow-grease and attention (again, check online for some bleach-free solutions).

Not the most rock 'n' roll way to spend a Saturday, but think how much nicer all that winter pampering will be in a gleaming tub...

4. Dust like a demon:

Ready to reconnect with your interior designer alter ego – because you're going to need to move everything in order to give all those nooks,

crannies and neglected corners a good clean.

Chances are you won't be airing the place as regularly until it gets warm again, while you'll also be spending more time indoors, so it's a good time to properly clear out all the dust and dander that's settled over summer.

5. Switch up your wardrobe:

If you don't normally 'switch' between a summer and winter wardrobe, we'd suggest investing in a few vacuum storage bags and getting into the habit.

Fold away all the floaty frocks and shorts you won't be needing until next May, stow them away under the bed/stairs/in the loft, and then you can have a neatly organised wardrobe of just the clothes you'll actually be wearing this season.

Oh, the satisfaction! In the process, pull out anything you no longer want/wear/fit into, and donate to charity or recycle.

6. Clamp down on clutter:

Has your bookcase become bogged down with random post, magazines and paraphernalia? Is your desk drowning in mess?

Don't wait until the New Year to get it all organised: Do it now, so you can stride into winter feeling collected and in control.

Create a permanent home for life admin bits; invest in a couple of nice storage pots and boxes for stuff that needs to be kept, and tidy it all up.

7. Cabinet clear-out:

We're all guilty of hoarding and over-buying beauty products. Sometimes, it's only when you confront the issue head-on that you realise just how out of control it is.

So, empty out all your bathroom cabinets/drawers/make-up bags – and take a good, long look at all those half-used bottles, out-of-date lipsticks and crumbling palettes.

Recycle and give away what you can, take the reality check, and let this be a lesson to you!

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YOUR GARDEN

With Diarmuid Gavin

Acers, maples and friends are burning with colour right now... here's Diarmuid's top picks

Last week on these pages we romped around the country, stopping off at many of our wonderful national treasures – gardens which make the most of changing seasons and burst with autumn colour.

Many of these gardens were once private aristocratic homes laid out at a time when they were the private pleasure zones of the establishment. In many cases the landscapes are vast with plenty of room to grow the gorgeous specimens whose maturity we can now enjoy.

However, most of us have smaller plots, so how do we fully achieve the magnificence that autumn can bring, using trees and shrubs which don't require the room that enormous estates allow?

Here's my top selection of tried and trusted autumn beauties, plants that I grow myself, species whose beauty I can vouch for and which will suit the average domestic plot.

■ Acer 'Aconitifolium'

The full moon maple is one of the best Japanese maples for autumn colour,

its ferny palmate leaves turning vivid red and orange. For best results grow in dappled or partial shade with

protection from cold winds. Beautiful as a specimen tree in a patio or courtyard situation.

■ Liquidambar (sweetgum tree)

This produces some of the best autumn colours, a wonderful mix of plums, reds and orange maple-like leaves. However, as they grow above 22m in maturity they're usually unsuitable for small to average plots. 'Slender Silhouette' is a lovely upright cultivar which, while it grows tall, remains slimline. Sweetgums prefer dampish, neutral to acidic soil.

■ Acer griseum (Paperbark maple)

I never tire of the wonderful coppery peeling of this maple. And there's

more reason to love it in autumn as its leaves turn to a burning red and orange. A delightful specimen.

■ Cotinus 'Royal Purple'

Grow the smoke bush for its beautiful purple foliage that turns scarlet in autumn. The smokey part of its name derives from the frothy plumes of delicate flowers in summer that can appear to be like a haze of smoke around the plant. It likes

full sun in a moist, well-drained soil.

■ Rhus typhina

I'm watching the stag's horn sumach in my front garden turn a vibrant shade of orange. I think this is one of the most reliable autumnal small trees. If you want something a little bit different, go for 'Dissecta' which has finely dissected leaves, giving a more refined appearance. You will need to remove suckers.



Jobs for the week

■ **Something in the wrong place?** Now's a good time to move it and replace it with something new.

■ **Fancy some greens for winter?** You can sow and grow winter salads such as rocket now under cloches or in the greenhouse. You can plant autumn garlic bulbs too.

■ **Have you finished pruning your roses?** Bush roses are best done now to keep their height down for winter – they are susceptible to wind rock and this can damage

their root system. Rambling roses should also be trimmed before winter storms.

■ **You can take hardwood cuttings** on shrubs such as cotinus, cornus, salix and roses.

■ **Check tree stakes and ties** on newly planted trees to ensure they are firm for winter.

■ **Pots and containers** can get waterlogged during heavy downpours so you can stand these on bricks to allow water to drain away.





Euonymus alatus

■ **Euonymus alatus**

Spindle trees are unrivalled when it comes to fiery autumnal colour. This, along with beautiful purple fruit that splits open to reveal orange fruit, and its interesting textured bark, makes it an outstanding shrub.

■ **Cornus kousa 'Miss Satomi'**

This plant is a good choice where you have room for a tree to spread laterally

but you don't want it to grow tall. The branches are outstretched and leaves turn purple and deep red in autumn.

■ **Sorbus 'Joseph Rock'**

Sorbus, or mountain ash, is a great all-rounder for the small garden. Lots of creamy flowers in spring are followed by wonderful yellow berries in late summer, and in autumn the pinnate foliage turns a deep crimson.

ASK DIARMUID

Q This plant has appeared from nowhere, could you identify it please?

Joan

A This looks like *Nicandra physalodes*. It's also known as the shoo fly plant as it's believed to repel whitefly.

Its seed is sometimes used in bird feed so it can pop up as a weed in gardens, especially near bird feeding tables. Its flowers are violet and the lantern seed pods are also attractive - lovely for cutting and drying for winter floral arrangements.



PLANT OF THE WEEK

NERINE BOWDENII (GUERNSEY LILY)

This late-flowering bulb will really brighten up a dull day with its vivid bright pink flowers.

The lily-like blooms are all the more eye-catching as they are on bare stems (the leaves appear in spring but die down for summer).

Originating in South Africa, this plant needs a really sunny, sheltered, warm position. The

base of a south-facing brick wall would be an ideal position.

Nerine bowdenii may take a year or two to bulk up but once it feels at home, it will flourish. It doesn't enjoy sitting in wet soil so well drained is better, and you might provide some protection if the weather gets very cold this winter.



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- First Floor Family Bathroom
- Larger Than Average Lounge/Diner
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The Maples

£325,000

- A Three Bedroom End Of Terrace House
- Two DOUBLE Bedrooms
- Private Driveway & Garage
- Ground Floor Wet-Room, Downstairs WC
- Two Reception Rooms
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£375,000

- A Three Bedroom Semi- Detached Family Home
- Loft Room
- Conservatory With Under Floor Heating
- Private Driveway
- uPVC Double Glazed Windows
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£415,000

- Three Bedrooms
- Semi-Detached
- Private Driveway
- Solid Oak Kitchen
- Secluded Rear Garden
- Awaiting EPC Rating



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£414,995

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- Three Bedrooms
- Fourth Downstairs Bedroom With En Suite
- Landscaped Rear Garden
- Four Car Driveway
- Awaiting EPC Rating



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£649,995

- A Five Bedroom Semi-Detached Victorian Cottage
- Private Driveway
- Landscaped Rear Garden
- Downstairs WC & First Floor Family Bathroom
- uPVC Double Glazed & Gas Central Heating Throughout
- EPC Rating: C



NEW INSTRUCTION

Wedhey

£210,000

- A Two Bedroom Ground Floor Flat
- One DOUBLE Bedroom
- Communal Driveway
- Lounge/ Diner
- SHARE OF FREEHOLD
- EPC Rating: Awaiting



NEW INSTRUCTION

Waterhouse Moor

£250,000

- A Two Bedroom Terrace House
- Two DOUBLE Bedrooms
- Secluded Rear Garden
- CHAIN FREE
- Lounge/ Diner
- EPC Rating: Awaiting



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- Two Bedroom House
- Freehold
- Conservatory To Rear
- Double Bedrooms
- Rear Gardens
- Parking For Two Cars

£275,000



VIEWINGS ADVISED

Victoria Gate

- Two Bedroom House
- Mid Terrace
- Conservatory To Rear
- Cul-De-Sac Location
- Two Allocated Parking Spaces
- EPC Rating: Awaiting

£285,000



VIEWINGS ADVISED

Pytt Field

- Three Bedroom Terraced House
- Allocated Parking
- Conservatory
- Rear Garden With Rear Access
- Downstairs WC
- EPC Rating: C

£320,000



NEW PRICE

Tickenhall Drive

- Three Bedroom House
- Two Parking Spaces
- Loft Conversion
- Extended To The Rear
- Downstairs WC
- Boiler Installed In Last Two Years

£399,995



VIEWINGS ADVISED

Bentley Drive

- Three Bedroom End Of Terrace House
- Secluded Rear Garden With Side Access
- uPVC Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating Throughout
- Lounge and Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen
- EPC Rating: C

£359,995



CHAIN FREE

The Chase

- Four Bedroom House
- Large Bedrooms Throughout
- Chain Free
- Garage
- "Studio Flat" Style Outbuilding
- Newhall Location

£430,000



VIEWINGS ADVISED

Malkin Drive

- Five Bedroom Link-Detached House
- Conservatory
- Downstairs WC
- En-Suite To Master
- Garage
- EPC Rating: C

£439,995



GREAT LOCATION

Malkin Drive

- Five Bedroom Detached House
- Two Reception Rooms
- Lots Of Potential To Extend
- Fantastic Garden
- Summer House
- Garage

£550,000



NEW INSTRUCTION

Aynsley Gardens

- Five Bedroom Semi-Detached House
- Garage
- Off-Street Parking
- En-suite to Bedroom 1
- Ease of access to the A414 & M11
- Within the catchment for Henry Moore Primary & both Mark Hall and Passmore Academies

£392,000



NEW INSTRUCTION

Potters Field

- Three Bedroom Mid-Terrace House
- Chain Free
- Within the catchment area of Holy Cross RC Primary School & Passmore Academy
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£255,000

SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Lawrence Moorings)

2 bedroom top floor apartment with views over the River Stort. 3 mins walk to train station serving London Liverpool Street. Living/dining room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, allocated parking. Vacant possession and no onward chain. Sole agents.



£292,000

SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Spring Mews)

Modern 2 bedroom cottage within walking distance of town centre. Kitchen, open plan living/dining room, downstairs w.c., 2 bedrooms, bathroom, enclosed garden, en-bloc garage. Excellent rental return and offered with no onward chain. Sole agents.



£289,950

TAKELEY

2 double bedroom, double storey extended character cottage with a 150ft garden, parking to front, large living room, good size kitchen/diner, luxury en-suite and family bath/shower room, double glazed and character feature. Must be viewed. Sole agents.



£335,000

BISHOPS STORTFORD (Trinity Street)

2 double bedroom, double storey extended cottage on a pretty street of similar looking cottages. First floor luxury bathroom, large living/dining room with exposed fireplace, kitchen/breakfast room, wall enclosed garden. Short walk to town centre and station. No onward chain. Sole agents.



£435,000

HATFIELD HEATH (Ardley End)

3-4 bedroom detached home in a semi-rural location with stunning views. Close to village centre. Impressive kitchen/dining room, bathroom plus en-suite, driveway and parking. Offered with no onward chain. Sole agents.



£465,000

Sawbridgeworth (Sayesbury Road)

Detached 3 bedroom Victorian home. Close to town centre and walking distance of train station. Spacious sitting/dining room, good size kitchen, conservatory, 100ft rear garden. Must be viewed. Sole agents.



£479,950

HATFIELD HEATH

Spacious 4 bedroom cottage with a large living room, separate dining room, kitchen, ground floor shower room, large first floor bathroom and off-street parking. Close to village centre. Sole agents.



£529,950

SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Rowney Wood)

Detached bungalow with planning permission to create 2 semi-detached dwellings on a large corner plot. Immediate vacant possession offered. Bungalow could be extended (Stp). In need of modernisation. Vacant possession offered. Sole agents.



£570,000

HATFIELD HEATH (Little Heath)

Detached 4 double bedroom beautifully presented home. Village centre location, walking distance of sought after primary school. High quality contemporary kitchen/family room, large living room, utility, luxury en-suite and bathroom, enclosed rear garden, garage & driveway. Sole agents.



£595,000

BISHOPS STORTFORD (Thorley Lane)

Detached 4 double bedroom family home. Walking distance of sought after schools and town centre. Large living room, separate dining room, kitchen, utility, good size garage, driveway and enclosed rear garden. Must be viewed. Sole agents.



£610,000

SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Sayesbury Road)

Charming 4 bedroom Edwardian home offering 3 reception rooms, kitchen, downstairs cloakroom, 2 bathrooms, approx. 85ft rear garden. Fantastic family accommodation with many original features including high ceilings, fireplaces etc. Ideally positioned for schools. Sole agents.



£625,000

SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Vantorts Road)

Rarely available town centre bungalow with 3 large reception rooms, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen, secluded garden, driveway with plenty of parking, double glazed and gas central heating. Central village location, short walk to all amenities. Sole agents.



£649,950

TAKELEY (Harris Road)

Spacious 5 bedroom detached home with a double garage. Beautifully presented and high specification throughout with fantastic views onto meadowland and Hatfield Forest beyond. 3 reception rooms, utility, downstairs w.c., 2 modern en-suite shower rooms plus family bathroom. Must be viewed. Sole agents.



£895,000

LITTLE HALLINGBURY

4 bedroom detached home on a 1.5 acre mature plot. Gated entrance, large workshop, recently renovated, plans for further extension, annexe/gym. Sole agents.



£575 pcm

SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Ladwell Prospect)

Ground floor studio apartment, within walking distance of Sawbridgeworth mainline station and other local amenities. The property has been fully furnished to a high standard and enjoys a recently refitted kitchen and bathroom and a good size living area, electric storage heating, gardens and allocated parking.



£850 pcm

SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Sheering Lower Road)

Larger than average one bed with its own balcony. Only a short walk from the mainline railway station. Comprising entrance hall, double bedroom, luxury bathroom, recently fitted kitchen and large living room with double doors giving access to balcony. The property is unfurnished and available early November



£895pcm

HATFIELD HEATH (Stag Court)

A well maintained and huge one bedroom first floor apartment. Only a short walk from facilities and a short drive to the mainline station. Fitted kitchen, lounge/diner, huge bedroom with built-in wardrobes and wet room. Allocated parking, available mid-October.



£875 pcm

SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Lawrence Moorings)

Unfurnished, top floor two bedroom apartment overlooking the river Stort. The property comprises good size lounge, two bedrooms, bathroom and kitchen. Allocated parking. Short walk from Sawbridgeworth train station serving London Liverpool St, Cambridge and Stansted Airport. Available Now



£875 pcm

HARLOW (The Lawn)

A newly renovated two bedroom top floor apartment. The property enjoys a bright open plan living area and new fitted kitchen with double glazed UPVC windows, two double bedrooms, brand new bathroom and gas central heating. The property benefits from an external storage shed and established communal grounds.



£1,195 pcm

SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Sappers Close)

3 bed unfurnished family home in the popular location which is only a short walk from the town centre. The property comprises 3 bedrooms and shower room to the first floor, fitted kitchen, separate wc, living/dining room, conservatory and low maintenance garden to rear. Off street parking to front for 2 cars plus garage.



£1,295 pcm

BISHOP'S STORTFORD (Cage End)

3 bed period barn conversion in a sought after location. Comprising entrance hall, downstairs wc, fitted kitchen, large lounge diner, separate study/playroom, bathroom and further bedroom to the top floor. Courtyard rear garden and allocated parking, plus car port.



£2000 pcm

SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Church Walk)

Immaculately presented, four bedroom, semi detached family home in an ideal central location just a short walk from Sawbridgeworth's town centre and station. Contemporary accommodation, versatile open plan ground floor with bi-folding doors opening on to rear garden.



£2950 pcm

LITTLE LAVER (Nr. Matching Green)

A beautifully presented five bedroom barn conversion providing spacious accommodation. Situated in the village of Little Laver in a mixed development of barns, Little Laver is a short drive from Matching Green. Period features including exposed beams and timbers. Available now.



£3500 pcm

BISHOPS STORTFORD (Nightingales)

3000sq.ft five bed property with two luxury en-suite shower rooms and a family bathroom. Four ground floor reception rooms, kitchen/family room, downstairs w.c. Parking for 4 cars, a double garage. Only an 8 minute walk to Bishop's Stortford's mainline railway station. Available now, unfurnished.

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CHURCHFIELD, HARLOW £285,000

- TWO BED TERRACE
- TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS
- AMPLE PARKING
- GROUND FLOOR STUDY
- GAS HEATING
- UPVC D/GLAZED WINDOWS
- CLOAKROOM
- INTERNAL PHOTOS ONLINE

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- ALL DOUBLE BEDROOMS
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- LUXURY FITTED KITCHEN
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- UPVC D/GLAZED WINDOWS
- NO ONWARD CHAIN
- INTERNAL PHOTOS ONLINE



COWLINS, OLD HARLOW £259,950

- TWO BEDROOM FLAT
- FIRST FLOOR
- CARPORT
- PRIVATE GARDEN
- GAS HEATING
- SASH WINDOWS
- NO ONWARD CHAIN
- INTERNAL PHOTOS ONLINE



BEAKER MEWS, NEWHALL £300,000

- TWO BED COACH HOUSE
- TWO GARAGES
- MODERN FITTED KITCHEN
- EN-SUITE
- GAS HEATING
- UPVC D/GLAZED WINDOWS
- POPULAR LOCATION
- INTERNAL PHOTOS ONLINE



DARLINGTON COURT, OLD HARLOW £255,000

- MODERN TWO BED FLAT
- TOP FLOOR
- EN-SUITE SHOWER ROOM
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- ELECTRIC HEATING
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EPC TBC

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Viewing Advised



NEW

Watch The Family Grow Morningtons

OIRO £350,000
EPC D

Located within a popular cul de sac turning is this three bedroom semi detached family home which benefits from off road parking and a converted garage which opens up the living space to the ground floor. Internal viewing is highly advised. Ref 14745

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Guide Price Modern Living Joyners Field

£250,000 - £265,000
EPC D

Located within reach of local schools as well as local amenities is this well presented three bedroom terrace family home. This property is ideal for any first time buyer. Ref 14527
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Guide Price Popular Location Barn Mead

£250,000 - £270,000
EPC D

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Guide Price Modern Living Torkildsen Way

£230,000 - £240,000
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NEW PRICE

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Guide Price £375,000 - £385,000 Potter Street Space For The Family To Grow EPC D

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Family In Mind Westbury Rise

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A Great First Buy Rundells

OIEO £265,000
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Located in the popular Rundells area of Harlow near the common is this well presented two double bedroom terraced home with refitted kitchen and good sized through lounge-diner. Ref 13121
Viewing Advised

NEW




ALTHAM GROVE, HARLOW £340,000

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Close To Burnt Mill
- Landscaped Garden
- Semi Detached
- Popular Location
- Conservatory
- EPC Rating: TBC

CHAIN FREE




MANOR ROAD, OLD HARLOW £359,995

- Three Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Long Gardens
- CHAIN FREE
- Semi Detached
- Conservatory
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: E


STUNNING HOME



Westbury Rise, Church Langley £575,000

- Four Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Kitchen/Family Room
- Conservatory
- Detached House
- Double Detached Garage
- Immaculate Home
- EPC Rating: D

CHAIN FREE



Glebelands, Harlow £499,995

- Three Double Bedrooms
- Garage & Driveway
- Chain Free
- Premier Location
- Detached House
- Conservatory
- Quiet Cul-De-Sac
- EPC Rating: TBC



Tickenhall Drive, Church Langley £425,000

- Four Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Popular Location
- Garage & Driveway
- Detached House
- En-Suite Shower
- Westerly Garden
- EPC Rating: D



PADDOCK MEAD, HARLOW £400,000

- Three/Four Bedrooms
- Garage & Driveway
- Quiet Cul-de-Sac
- Well Presented
- Link Detached Home
- Ground Floor WC
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: D



DENBY GRANGE, CHURCH LANGLEY £429,995

- Four Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Dressing Room
- Garage & Drive
- Link detached
- Ensuite To Master
- Cul-De-Sac Spot
- EPC Rating: C



THE CHASE, NEWHALL £450,000

- Four Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Stunning Home
- Garage & Parking
- End Terrace
- Two Bathrooms
- Kitchen/Bkfst Room
- EPC Rating: C



RIDGEWAYS, CHURCH LANGLEY £474,999

- Five Bedrooms
- Immaculate Throughout
- Driveway
- Three Receptions
- Detached Family Home
- West Facing Garden
- Ensuite To Master
- EPC Rating: TBC



CHELSEA GARDENS, CHURCH LANGLEY £549,995

- Six Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- En-Suite Shower
- Garage & Drive
- Utility & W.C
- Riptide Swim Spa
- EPC Rating: TBC



STOCKSFIELD, KELVEDON HATCH £550,000

- Four Bedrooms
- Garage & Driveway
- Two Receptions
- Popular Location
- Detached Home
- Well Presented
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- EPC Rating: TBC



NEW



PERRY SPRING, HARLOW £279,995

- Three Bedrooms
- Driveway
- Kitchen/Diner
- Unoverlooked Garden
- Middle Terrace
- Conservatory
- Cloakroom/WC
- EPC Rating: TBC



NEW



ABBOTSWELD, HARLOW £267,000

- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Front Extension
- Driveway To Front
- Terraced Home
- Westerly Garden
- Modern Kitchen
- EPC Rating: D



Monksbury, Harlow £350,000

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Garage & Driveway
- Popular Location
- Semi Detached Home
- Conservatory
- Cul-De-Sac Location
- EPC Rating: TBC



Carters Mead, Harlow £310,000

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Study
- Chain Free
- End Of Terrace
- Utility/WC
- Driveway
- EPC Rating: TBC



Barn Mead, Harlow £279,995

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Ground Floor WC
- Chain Free
- Middle Terrace
- Westerly Garden
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: D



CHAIN FREE

THE GARDINERS, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Two Bedrooms
- CHAIN FREE
- Two Parking Spaces
- Well Presented
- Middle Terrace
- Southerly Garden
- Cul-De-Sac Location
- EPC Rating: TBC

£280,000



CHAIN FREE

WESTFIELD, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Driveway
- Lounge/Diner
- Chain Free
- Middle Terrace House
- Utility Room
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: TBC

£280,000



CHAIN FREE

WOODING GROVE, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- CHAIN FREE
- Current HMO
- Semi Detached
- 40ft Garden
- Close To Town
- EPC Rating: TBC

£289,995



CHAIN FREE

LODGE HALL, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Garage & Driveway
- Kitchen/Diner
- Chain Free
- Semi Detached
- Ground Floor WC
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: D

£299,995



MULBERRY GREEN, OLD HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Modern Kitchen
- Open Plan Living
- Parking Area
- End Of Terrace
- Pretty Cottage
- Private Location
- EPC Rating: B

£364,995



CHAIN FREE

DENBY GRANGE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception
- En-Suite Shower Room
- Chain Free
- Detached House
- Garage & Driveway
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: D

£367,500


NEW




CHURCH LEYS, HARLOW £259,995

- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Driveway
- Great First Time Buy
- Terraced House
- Popular Location
- Conservatory
- EPC Rating: C


NEW

PURFORD GREEN, HARLOW £249,995

- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Close To Shops
- 40ft Rear Garden
- Terraced Home
- Close To Schooling
- CHAIN FREE
- EPC Rating: C

CHAIN FREE



Peterswood, Harlow £155,000

- One Bedroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Immaculate
- CHAIN FREE
- First Floor
- Apartment
- Communal Gardens
- EPC Rating: D



Southern Lodge, Harlow £219,995

- Two Bedrooms
- Residents Parking
- Warden Assisted
- Chain Free
- First Floor Apartment
- Lounge/Diner
- Communal Gardens
- EPC Rating: D



Priory Court, Harlow £229,995

- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Balcony
- Garage En-Bloc
- Private Apartment
- First Floor
- Modern Kitchen
- EPC Rating: C



HASLERS PLACE, DUNMOW £212,000

- Two Bedrooms
- Top Floor
- Modern Kitchen
- Underground Parking
- Stunning Apartment
- En-Suite Shower
- Recent Bathroom
- EPC Rating: B



COALPORT CLOSE, CHURCH LANGLEY £215,000

- Two Bedrooms
- Allocated Parking
- Lounge/Diner
- First Floor
- Apartment
- Popular Location
- Communal Garden
- EPC Rating: C

CHAIN FREE



MILWARDS, HARLOW £239,995

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Cloakroom/WC
- Chain Free
- Terraced House
- Ideal Investment
- Potential To Improve
- EPC Rating: C



CROSSBILL WAY, NEWHALL £274,995

- Two Bedrooms
- En-Suite Shower Room
- Open Plan Living
- Own Balcony
- Apartment
- Ground Floor
- Allocated Parking
- EPC Rating: B



WOODWARDS, HARLOW £275,000

- Three Bedrooms
- Open Plan Lounge/Diner
- Well Presented
- Private Cul-De-Sac
- Middle Terrace House
- Desirable Area
- Low Maintenance Garden
- EPC Rating: C



BUSHEY CROFT, HARLOW £279,995

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Well Presented
- Quiet Cul-De-Sac
- Middle Terrace
- Westerly Garden
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: D

TO LET **NEW**




HADLEY GRANGE, CHURCH LANGLEY £800 P.C.M

- One Bedroom
- Own Parking
- Available NOW
- Garden
- End Terrace
- Lounge/Diner
- Unfurnished
- EPC Rating: C

TO LET **NEW**




TORKILDSEN WAY, HARLOW £850

- One Double Bedroom
- Available NOW
- Allocated Parking
- Unfurnished
- Second Floor Apartment
- Close To Train Station
- Very Well Presented
- EPC Rating: TBC

TO LET



The Maples, Harlow £1,250 P.C.M

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Two Receptions
- Available Now
- Terraced House
- Recent Refurbished
- Unfurnished
- EPC Rating: D

TO LET



Turvin Crescent, Harlow £1,175 P.C.M

- Two Bedrooms
- Modern Property
- Integrated Appliances
- Own Balcony
- Top Floor Apartment
- Garage & Parking
- Unfurnished
- EPC Rating: TBC

TO LET



Dovehouse Croft, Harlow £1,150 P.C.M

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Unfurnished
- Long Garden
- End Of Terrace
- Available 1st October
- Close To Shops
- EPC Rating: E

LET AGREED **MORE NEEDED**



MALKIN DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Four Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- En-Suite Shower
- Available End Sept
- Semi Detached
- Unfurnished
- Garage & Parking
- EPC Rating: C

£1,500 P.C.M

LET AGREED **MORE NEEDED**



CHALLINOR, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Unfurnished
- Garage & Parking
- Semi Detached
- Conservatory
- Available early OCT
- EPC Rating: D

£1,300 P.C.M

LET AGREED **MORE NEEDED**



TAYLIFERS, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Modern Bathroom
- Part Furnished
- Terraced Home
- Modern Kitchen
- Available End Oct
- EPC Rating: TBC

£1,150 P.C.M

LET AGREED **MORE NEEDED**



SHERWOOD HOUSE, BUSH FAIR

- Two Bedrooms
- Available October 2018
- Modern Kitchen
- Close To Shops
- Second Floor Apartment
- Lounge/Diner
- Unfurnished
- EPC Rating: D

£825 P.C.M

LET AGREED **MORE NEEDED**



TAYLIFERS, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Outside Storage
- Modern Property
- Top Floor Flat
- Unfurnished
- Available End Of September 18
- EPC Rating: D

£800 P.C.M

LET AGREED **MORE NEEDED**



RECTORY WOOD, HARLOW

- One Double Bedroom
- Close To Hospital
- AVAILABLE NOW
- Ground Floor Apartment
- Unfurnished
- Recently Redecorated
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: TBC

£775 P.C.M

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£162,000

Markwell Wood, Harlow



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£215,000

Chamberlain Close, Church Langley



Viewings Advised

Guardian are delighted to offer this immaculate two bedroom flat in the sought after private area of Bromley Close! Includes private parking, en suite, large bedrooms and living area! Second floor, UPVC double glazed through out and electric heating. EPC: C

£225,000

Bromley Close, Harlow



A usable loft space, two double bedrooms and a large garden. When are you able to view? A great starter home for any first time buyer to jump on the property ladder or if you are looking to downsize. In close proximity to local amenities as well as great primary schools. EPC: E

£244,995

Primrose Field, Harlow



Guardian are delighted to present a two bedroom house in the rarely available private area of Glan Avon Mews. Quiet cul-de-sac location, close to M11 and local amenities. Private parking and low maintenance garden. EPC: C

£259,999

Glan Avons Mews, Harlow



Price Reduction

Guardian are delighted to offer an immaculate three bedroom house in Sycamore Field. Three good sized bedrooms, modern fitted kitchen and bathroom. Close to local transport links and amenities. Double glazed through out with gas central heating. EPC: E

£267,000

Sycamore Field, Harlow



New Instruction

Chain free family home with a recently fitted kitchen and heating system along with a recent re-wire. Fully double glazed throughout within the past two years additionally. In a great location with local amenities close by with three good sized bedrooms. EPC: D

£275,000

Peterswood, Harlow



Guardian are delighted to offer for sale this extended four bedroom mid terrace property. Close to the town centre, hospital and walking distance to local schools. The property has the fourth bedroom down stairs with a wet room attached. EPC: C

£299,999

Foldcroft, Harlow



Price Reduction

Guardian are delighted to offer this recently renovated three bedroom mid terrace property with three Double bedrooms. The current owner has lovingly refurbished this property with a traditional feel.

£308,699

Quarry Spring, Harlow



Guardian are delighted to present this UNIQUE three bedroom detached house with a garage and paved drive for two cars. Spread over four floors, this property has a great layout and large living space. Suited to DIY enthusiasts, can turn this into a wonderful family home!

£310,000

Willowfield, Harlow



New Instruction

Guardian are delighted to offer this four bedroom end of terrace property idyllically positioned in a quiet cul de sac close to the town, train station, local amenities and schools. The current owners having lovingly refurbished the property and converted the garage. EPC: D

£365,000

Morley Grove, Harlow



Price Reduction

Guardian are delighted to offer a three bedroom plus a loft conversion which can be used as another bedroom semi-detached house in the highly sought after private area of Deer Park! Large modern fitted kitchen with conservatory and under floor heating. EPC: D

£385,000

Deer Park, Harlow



New Instruction

Guardian are delighted to offer for sale this four bedroom detached house situated in the Potter Street area of Harlow. The property is presented in good decorative order and boasts four double bedrooms, gas heating to radiators, high spec modern fitted kitchen and good size rear garden.

£404,995

Glan Avon Mews, Potter Street



Star Buy

Guardian are delighted to offer this Chain free, well-proportioned 3 double bedroom Mews House with Car-port. The property is situated in the sought after village of Roydon which benefits from a main-line station providing direct rail services to Stansted. EPC: C

£415,000

Roydon Mews, High Street, Roydon



Guardian are delighted to offer for sale this Four / Five Bedroom detached house in the ever popular private area of Church Langley located close to the M11, local amenities and schools. The property overlooks a green in a very quiet cul de sac. EPC: D

£465,000

Wedgewood Drive, Church Langley



New Instruction

Guardian are delighted to present this rarely available six bedroom detached family home in desirable private area of Church Langley. This stunning property has been finished to a high standard throughout. Benefits include a modern kitchen with integrated appliances. EPC: C

£580,000

Whieldon Grange, Church Langley

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Guardian are delighted to offer this one bedroom top floor flat on the outskirts of town in Church End. This property benefits from gas heating, spacious living throughout and is priced to let! EPC - C. Available Now!

£675 PCM

Church End



Guardian are delighted to offer this ground floor flat in Dads Wood. This property benefits from permit parking, ground floor, neutral decor and is close to the town center. EPC - C. Available NOW!

£730 PCM

Dads Wood



A rare opportunity to rent a large one bedroom maisonette in the private area of The Archers, Harlow. This property comprises from gas heating, allocated parking, a shared garden as well neutral decor throughout. EPC - C. Part furnished with oven, fridge freezer and washing machine. Available late October

£785 PCM

Archers



Guardian are pleased to present this well maintained one bedroom end of terrace house in Church Langley. The property comprises entrance hallway, storage cupboard, open plan fitted kitchen, lounge with patio doors overlooking private rear garden, stairs to first floor, double bedroom, newly installed bathroom and storage. EPC - D. Available NOW!

£850 PCM

Wedgewood Drive



Great starter home - One bedroom end of terrace with parking available end September. Property comprising entrance hallway, open plan lounge and kitchen, stairs to first floor, storage cupboard, double bedroom and bathroom. Benefits from gas central heating, neutral decor and parking. EPC - C. Available NOW!

£850 PCM

Coalport Close



Huge two double bedroom top floor flat in the Staple Tye area of Harlow. Property available end of September and benefits from being redecorated throughout. Huge lounge, fitted kitchen, bathroom, separate WC and two bedrooms. Added bonus of balcony. EPC D. Available NOW!

£850 PCM

Brockles Mead



Guardian are delighted to offer this large two bedroom maisonette with private garden in the Katherines area of Harlow. The property is offered part furnished and is located in close proximity to shops and amenities. EPC - B. Available mid November

£900 PCM

Mercers



Guardian are delighted to offer for rent this recently renovated two bedroom first floor flat in the Summers area of Harlow. Comprising entrance hallway, storage cupboard, newly fitted kitchen, lounge, two bedroom and modern bathroom this property is not to be missed. Other benefits include newly fitted carpets and gas heating. Awaiting EPC - Available NOW!

£900 PCM

Little Cattins



Guardian are delighted to offer this two bedroom ground floor flat in the sought after area of The Hill, Old Harlow. This property benefits from having its own rear garden, good sized bedrooms and is close to local shops and amenities. EPC - D. Available late October.

£900 PCM

The Hill



Guardian are delighted to offer this two bedroom house in the popular area of Sheldon Close, Church Langley. This property benefits from gas heating, off street parking and is close to local shops and amenities. EPC - C. Available NOW!

£950 PCM

Sheldon Close



Guardian are delighted to offer this three bedroom house in the Church Langley area of Harlow. Offered part furnished with oven, fridge freezer and washing machine. The property is in good decorative condition and offers off street parking to front - EPC-D - Available mid December

£1150 PCM

Coalport Close



Superb three bedroom end of terrace family home in the sought after Markhall Moors area of town. Comprising entrance hallway, fitted kitchen, double aspect lounge, three good sized bedrooms and bathroom with shower. EPC - E. Available NOW!

£1150 PCM

Dovehouse Croft



Guardian are delighted to offer this immaculate three bedroom property in the outskirts of Harlow in Taylifers. This property benefits from a modern kitchen and bathroom, large living space throughout, gas heating and a rear garden. EPC - D. Available mid October.

£1150 PCM

Taylifers



Guardian are delighted to offer this superb three bedroom home in Seymours, Katherines. This property benefits from a downstairs w/c, gas heating, modern kitchen and bathroom and a rear garden. EPC - D. Available mid November.

£1195 PCM

Seymours



Guardian are delighted this fully furnished, immaculate, four bedroom detached house in Church Langley. Fixed six month term between late October 2018 and April 2019. Furnishings to include kitchen appliances, dining furniture, sofas, beds and wardrobes. EPC - D - Available late October

£1295 PCM

Ashworth Place



Guardian are delighted to offer this three bedroom house in the desirable area of Theydon Bois, a short walk to central line tube station. An ideal family home. Property comprising entrance hallway, downstairs WC, kitchen, lounge, three bedrooms and family bathroom. Benefits include garage, rear garden and gas central heating. EPC - D. Available NOW!

£1575 PCM

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NEW
LISTING

RYECROFT £1150 PCM

- Three Bedrooms
- Utility Room
- Conservatory
- Gas Central Heating
- EPC Rating C
- Available Now
- * Admin Fees Apply



NEW
LISTING

MALKIN DRIVE £1150 PCM

- Two Bedroom House
- Church Langley
- Garage
- En-Suite
- EPC Rating C
- * Admin Fees Apply
- Available Now



NEW
LISTING

WAGON MEAD £925 PCM

- Three Bedrooms
- Unfurnished
- Large Accommodation
- Communal Gardens
- Gas Central Heating
- Available Now
- EPC Rating C



NEW
LISTING

TAYLIFERS £675 PCM

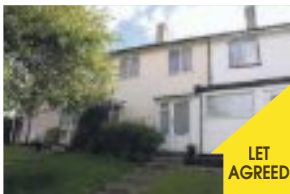
- One Bedroom Flat
- Kitchen Appliances Only
- EPC Rating C
- * Admin Fees Apply
- Available Now
- Gas Central Heating
- Top Floor



LET
AGREED

ALLIS MEWS £1,400 PCM

- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two En-Suites
- Allocated Parking
- * Admin Fees Apply
- Available End August



LET
AGREED

CANNONS GATE £1000 PCM

- Two Bedroom House
- Modern Property
- * Admin Fees Apply
- Available Now
- EPC Rating C
- Unfurnished
- Close To Hospital



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BERECROFT £200,000

- Three Bedroom Mid Terrace Home
- No Onward Chain
- Large Lounge Diner
- Walking Distance to Schools & Shops
- In Need of Modernisation
- Viewing Recommended



BROMLEY CLOSE £225,000

- Two Bedrooms Flat
- First Floor
- Close to Train Station
- Lounge Diner
- Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Ideal First Time or Investment Buyer
- Allocated Parking Space



LET
AGREED

Longbanks £975 PCM

- Two Double Bedrooms
- Modern Property
- Furnished
- No Pets/DSS/Children
- EPC Rating C
- * Admin Fees Apply
- Available Now



New
Instruction

WEDHEY £210,000

- One and half Bedroom Property
- Share of Freehold
- Lounge Diner
- Share of Garden - Front & Back
- Driveway for One Car
- Gas Central Heating
- No Service Charge

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New
Instruction

MOORFIELD £250,000

- Three Bedroom Family Home
- Lounge Diner
- Downstairs WC
- In Need of Some Modernisation
- CHAIN FREE
- Fitted Kitchen
- Close to Shops & Schools



New
Instruction

NEW POND STREET, NEWHALL £254,995

- Two Bedroom Split Level Maisonette
- Modern Throughout
- En-Suite Shower Room to Bedroom One
- Open Plan Living
- Modern Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Parking
- Close To Amenities



CANONS GATE £259,950

- Two Bedroom Home
- NO CHAIN
- Close to all Amenities
- Lounge
- Good Size Rear Garden
- Update By Current Owner
- Viewing Recommended



WHITEWAITS £279,950

- Three Bedroom Family Home
- End of Terrace
- Recently Fitted Boiler
- Large Lounge Diner
- Complete Onward Chain
- Kitchen & Utility Room
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FIR PARK £375,000

- Three Bedroom Family Home
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New
Instruction

GLEBELANDS £269,995

- Two Bedroom Home
- End of Terrace
- Fitted Kitchen & Utility
- Mark Hall Area
- Separate WC & Bathroom
- Neat & Tidy Garden
- Newly Fitted Boiler

TEST DRIVE

Audi A4 Avant 2.0 TFSi Quattro S line

AT A GLANCE

- **Model:** Audi A4 Avant Quattro
- **Price:** £40,495
- **Mechanical:** 248bhp, 1,964cc 4cyl turbocharged petrol engine driving all four wheels via 7-speed automatic gearbox
- **Max Speed:** 155mph
- **0 to 62mph:** 6 seconds
- **Combined mpg:** 42.8
- **Insurance group:** 30E
- **CO2 emissions:** 150g/km
- **BIK Rating:** 30%
- **Warranty:** 3yrs/60,000



STILL GOING STRONG

BY **DAVID WARD**

MENTION the word quattro to any middle aged motorist and they will probably be reminded of when Audi introduced their first four-wheel-drive model back at the Geneva Motor Show in 1980 which at the time was a revolutionary move in the car industry.

Move on more than three decades and the quattro models are continuing to come out of their Ingolstadt factory thick and fast with obvious technology having moved on a pace since those early days.

Tested here is the A4 Avant Quattro - a kind of posh person's all-wheel-drive up market estate car - which has a two-litre 248bhp turbocharged petrol engine under the bonnet to give it the sports performance it deserves and now an everyday feature on such Audi cars.

It certainly delivers a road-going punch - capable of accelerating from 0 to 62mph in six seconds and with a claimed top speed of 155mph - proving its now slowcoach and with a slick feeling seven-speed dual clutch sequential gearbox onboard it's simply a driver's delight.

There is a five-door saloon version of the same car which at £39,985 on-the-road is slightly cheaper than the estate at £41,385 but it's the latter one which has the edge on my book and must be the most comfortable quality load-lugger around.

It faces some stiff opposition though in the shape of the BMW 3 Series Touring and the Mercedes-Benz C-Class but when it comes to all round sports performance coupled with practicality it wins hands down.

Talking of luggage too the Avant is a clear winner here with 505 litres of space with the rear seats in use which rises to a remarkable 1,510 litres when they flattened giving this car the biggest boot room in its category.

This latest Avant version too is more lightweight than its predecessor with even better driving dynamics and all the latest car technology

on board plus a genuine quality cabin as on all Audi cars today.

With adaptive sports suspension on board it offers an excellent comfortable ride, it's refined too and for the driver so easy to drive with such light but positive feeling steering and out on the road it's surefooted as naturally one would expect from Audi's well proven four-wheel-drive system.

The seven-speed dual clutch transmission has really swift and smooth and quick up and down automatic movement while for those drivers who like doing it themselves

as we say the paddle manual gear change mounted on the steering wheel gives the driver and even more rewarding drive.

The test car sat on the optional (at £1,200) 19-inch alloy wheels rather than the standard 18-inch and it's worth the extra outlay in my view because it does make a subtle difference in the ride and comfort out on the open road.

The electric adjustable driving position is excellent suiting any size or shape of driver while the all round large window help all occupants to have good all round vision unlike

some rival estate cars.

There are three trim levels - S, SE and S Line - for both the saloon and estate and as one would expect of an Audi they are all exceptionally well equipped with a high level of interior trim, fittings and furnishings that keeps them in the tradition of quality finish.

For the driver there's an easy-to-use 12.3-inch infotainment system with the high tech mod cons available as one would expect while there are touches of aluminium trim on the doors and foot pedals and the leather trimmed Alcantara sports seats offer decent lumbar support and the rear seats have a 40/20/40 split.

Clearly with 248bhp on tap it's aimed at the more sporty minded driver but interestingly it was reasonably economic on fuel with the best on test coming in at 44.4mpg and only dropping to 40mpg when driven in a more sprightly manner.

Like all Audi cars today there's a host of options available for drivers and on the test car there was what they call a comfort and sound pack kit (£1,295) and parking assistance package (£1,350). This is fair enough but when paying out forty-odd grand for a stylish estate it's a bit of cheek to charge an extra £325 for folding door mirrors when cheaper and less high-end family estates include it as standard.

Overall though an impressive quality, sporty estate that won't disappoint out on the road.



TEST DRIVE

Peugeot Rifter



PRIME MOVER

BY **PETER HAYWARD**

PEUGEOT'S Rifter SUV looks like it's based on a van but in fact it is new from the ground up and as versatile family transport, it gives the other major players quite a headache.

On a drive through the Cotswolds, I found it comfortable and refined - airy and spacious in a way that few others can match.

It takes over from the Partner Tepee, but has moved the whole idea of the truly practical SUV forward, with new engines and a new cockpit layout based on that in the 208 and 308, plus short and long wheelbase versions with either five or seven seats.

Just two engines are available but in a total of five states of tune.

The petrols are both the excellent 1.2 PureTech three-cylinder turbo used across the Peugeot range - a 110bhp version with a manual six speed box, or a 130bhp version with a standard eight speed automatic.

The company's new 1.5 diesel is the other option, in BlueHdI 75, 100 or 130bhp power outputs.

The two lower output versions come with a five speed manual box, while the 130 has either a six speed manual or the same eight speed auto used in the petrol.

I managed to drive both the 100 and 130bhp diesels at the launch and liked the feel of them.

Despite high sides, strong winds didn't affect them too much and the

suspension is set to give maximum comfort - which is exactly what such a vehicle should have.

Yet Peugeot has built-in enough anti-roll to keep the cornering reasonably flat, and this helps to give excellent grip and safety.

The power steering is positive and direct, giving decent feel on the move, and it also gives a very tight turning circle, which helps tremendously when parking and manoeuvring.

Performance in the 100bhp Blue HdI is best described as adequate for the majority of eventualities, but as with the 130, the engine is very refined, smooth and quiet even when pressed hard.

The 130 improves performance markedly - as you would expect,

without ever becoming in any way startling.

Practicality is excellent, with plenty of interior space front and rear, easy sliding rear doors, a large tailgate that doubles as a rain cover for bad weather, and a massive boot that must be the biggest in class.

The interior comes with Peugeot's i-Cockpit design, but without the digital instruments available in other models that can be changed to suit the driver's taste and whim.

The instruments are above the dash in a cowl, and are viewed outside a small multi-function steering wheel, with flat top and bottom.

It's a system that works well with the high driving position, and there's plenty of seat and column adjust-

ment to make sure every size of driver can see properly.

An eight inch colour touch screen is angled towards the driver and is used for most functions such as DAB radio, climate control and sat nav.

And latest technological advances such as adaptive cruise control, lane departure warning, blind spot monitoring, and an optional reversing camera are all included.

Fuel economy ranges from 51.4 to the gallon for the PureTech models to 68.9mpg at best for the diesels. Emissions run from 126 to 109g/km.

Prices start from £19,650 for a Rifter in Active trim to £24,270 for the top GT Line.

The Rifter might look much the same as the Partner it replaces but it is way more advanced.



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2015 (15) Renault Capture 1.5 DCI, Grey, Alloy Wheels, Air Con, SAT NAV, Cruise Control, Parking Sensors, Reversing Camera, Remote Locking, E/Windows, E/Mirrors, Bluetooth, 44,000 Miles
£9,995 - £62 per week

2013 (63) Vauxhall Mokka 1.6 Black, Alloy Wheels, Air Con, Remote Locking, Heated leather seats, Cruise Control, Parking Sensors, Remote Locking, E/Windows, E/Mirrors, CD Player, 29,000 Miles only,
£9,695 - £60 per week

2013 (62) Ford CMAX 1.6 Blue, Alloy Wheels, Air Con, Remote locking, Bluetooth, E/Windows, E/Mirrors, Parking sensors, CD Player, 56,000 miles
£6,995 - £45 per week

2011 (61) Renault Scenic 1.5 DCI,
Silver, Alloy wheels, Air Con, Remote Locking, Cruise Control, Half Leather, SAT NAV, E/Windows, E/Mirrors, CD Player, 41,000 Miles
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2010 (60) Nissan Juke 1.6
Black, Alloy wheels, Air Con, Remote Locking, E/Windows, E/Mirrors, CD Player, 47,000 miles only
£5,995 - £38 per week

2010 (60) Hyundai ix20 1.4,
Blue, Alloy Wheels, Air Con, Bluetooth, Cruise Control, Parking Sensors, Remote Locking, E/Windows, E/Mirrors, CD Player, 48,000 Miles
£5,695 - £36 per week

Hatchback

2015 (15) Renault Capture 1.5 DCI,
Grey, Alloy Wheels, Air Con, SAT NAV, Cruise Control, Parking Sensors, Reversing Camera, Remote Locking, E/Windows, E/Mirrors, Bluetooth, 44,000 Miles
£9,995 - £62 per week

2015 (65) Ford Fiesta 2.1
Blue, 5 Door, Alloy Wheels, Air Con, Bluetooth, Parking Sensors, Remote Locking, E/Windows, E/Mirrors, CD Player, 16,000 miles only
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2013 (62) Vauxhall Corsa,
1.2 Limited Edition, Red, Black Alloys, Air Con, Remote Locking, Cruise Control, E/Windows, E/Mirrors, CD player, 32,000 Miles only,
£6,495 - £41 per week

2011 (11) Nissan Micra, 1.2,
Blue, Alloy Wheels, Air Con, Cruise Control, Parking sensors, Remote locking, E/Windows, E/Mirrors, CD player, 16,000 Miles only
£5,995 - £38 per week

2013 (63) Vauxhall Corsa 1.2
Limited Edition, Orange, Alloy Wheels, Air Con, Cruise Control, Remote Locking, E/Windows, E/Mirrors, CD Player, 54,000 Miles
£5,695 - £36 per week

2015 (65) Toyota Aygo 1.0,
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2013(63) Vauxhall Agila,
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2011 (11) Kia Seed, 1.6, Diesel, Black, Alloy Wheels, Air Con, Remote locking, E/Windows, E/Mirrors, Cruise control, CD Player, AUX Input, 66,000 miles
£4,495 - £25pw

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For further details about the recruitment process, please contact Tracey Backman, HR Director on 01992 624375 Ext 5817, or by email at tba@generationsmat.herts.sch.uk

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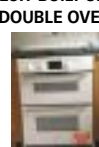
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PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS
The following applications have been received by Harlow District Council. These applications and others received can be inspected at Harlow Council Planning Services, Civic Centre, The Water Gardens, Harlow, Essex, CM20 1WG on Monday - Friday, 9am - 4:45pm. If you are unable to view the plans during these times, please telephone Planning Services on (01279) 446856 where a suitable appointment can be made with the relevant case officer.
Anyone who wishes to make representations about these applications should write to the Council at the above address within 21 days of the date of this notice.

Application No: HW/TP/18/10053 **Ward:** Old Harlow
Application Type: Works To Trees in a Conservation Area
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Proposal: T1-Goat Willow: Fell
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Application Type: Full Application
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Application No: HW/TP/18/10056 **Ward:** Old Harlow
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(Footpath 74, Harlow (Sadlers Footcrossing) and Footpath 44, Roydon/Footpath 78, Harlow (Wildes Footcrossing), Districts for Harlow/ Epping Forest) (Temporary Prohibition of Use) Order 2018

Notice is hereby given that the Essex County Council intends, not less than seven days from the date of this notice, to make the above Order under section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

Effect of the order: To temporarily close that length of Footpath 74, Harlow (Sadlers Footcrossing) and Footpath 44, Roydon/Footpath 78, Harlow (Wildes Footcrossing) in the District of Harlow and Epping Forest, for a distance of approximately 10 metres either side of the centre of the footcrossings over the railway tracks.

The closures are scheduled to commence at 23:00h on 27 October 2018 to 13:00h on 28 October 2018, 23:00h on 3 November 2018 to 13:00h on 4 November 2018 and 23:00h on 2 February 2019 to 13:00h on 3 February 2019, and are required for the safety of the public while Network Rail undertake essential ballast cleaning works.

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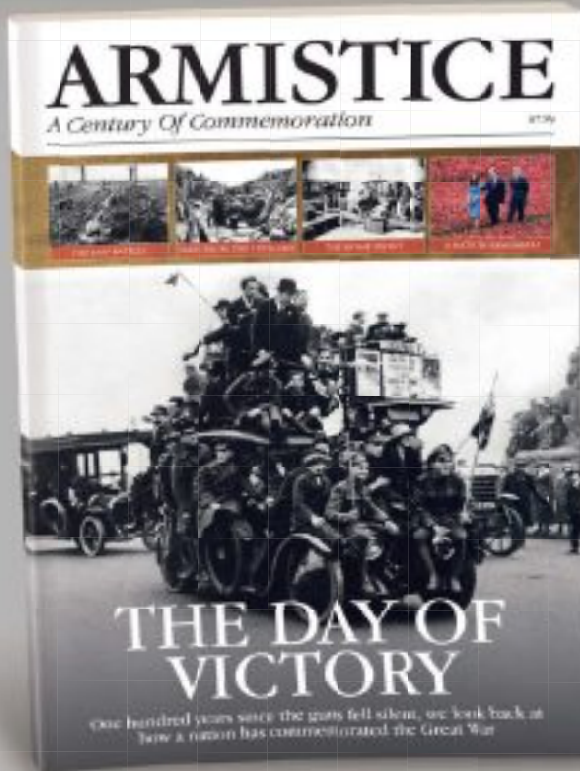
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Harlow Penguins Swimming Club Masters with their medals

Penguins are pool masters

TEAM OF EIGHT SWIMMERS COLLECT 16 MEDALS

MASTERS swimmers from Harlow Penguins Swimming Club made a splash at the recent Swim England East Region Masters Championships in Newmarket.

In total, six masters – from the current squad of ten – took part, competing in 19 different events.

They were: Emma Anderson (26), Emma Bristow (35), Rachel Donnelly (38), Alex Smith (36), Iain Bulloch (44) and Craig Banning (45).

The team achieved an impressive medal haul of eight golds, seven silvers and one bronze, setting 13 personal best times along the way.

Banning struck double gold in the 50m backstroke (33.06sec PB) and 100m backstroke (1min 15.59sec PB), and took silver in the 50m butterfly (31.44 PB).

It was also a golden gala for Bulloch, who won the 100m butterfly

(1:18.72 PB) and 100m freestyle (1:04.70) as well as taking silver in the 100m breaststroke (1:26.83).

Anderson won the 100m breaststroke (1:44.60) and was fourth in the 200m freestyle (2:52.70).

There were two silver medals for Alex Smith in the 50m freestyle (28.70 PB) and 400m freestyle (5:17.44 PB), while Rachel Donnelly was second in the 100m freestyle (1:15.16 PB) and touched home for bronze in 400m freestyle (6:04.65).

Emma Bristow won gold in the 100m individual medley (1:19.05) and there was a silver lining for her in the 200m freestyle as well as finishing fourth in the 50m freestyle (31.14).

Banning won silver in the 100m IM (1:13.52) with Smith fourth (1:17.00 PB).

The 200m freestyle relay team of

Bulloch, Anderson, Donnelly and Smith took gold (2:19.48 PB), and the 200m medley relay team of Banning, Bristow, Bulloch and Donnelly were also triumphant (2:31.51 PB).

The Masters squad (adult swimmers aged 18 and over) train together at Harlow Leisurezone under head coach Martin Stringer four times a week.

Donnelly said: "It's hard to motivate yourself to get up at 5.15am for training, and get off the sofa on a Friday night when most folks are tucking into a takeaway and bottle of something nice, but now I wouldn't have it any other way."

"It's changed my life for the better. Harlow Penguins is a great club and swim school with fantastic coaches, volunteers and swimmers of all ages."

"It's great to be part of a squad and club."



Nathan Koranteng in action for Harlow on Saturday
SIMON JENKINS

Hakes boss keen to add to squad

HARLOW Town manager Danny Chapman says he is trying to add to his squad in a bid to get the team out of the Bostik League Premier Division relegation zone, but concedes it's difficult to recruit players when you're at the wrong end of the table.

Two goals in either half saw Harlow lose 4-0 at home to Carshalton Athletic and drop to 21st place, with Chapman admitting his side didn't work hard enough.

First half strikes from Michael Onovwigun (21 mins) and Bobby Price (45 mins) gave Harlow a tough task in the second half.

The home side did improve, but Michael Dixon and Jacob Mendy struck after coming off the bench to add the gloss on a result that extends Harlow's winless run at home this season.

"It went wrong because we never worked hard enough – they were sharper, stronger and technically better than us for 90 minutes," Chapman told the club's website.

"We work all week on getting balls in the box, but there were too people with many touches and indecisive with what they did."

"We never really looked like scoring. We did get back in the game but we were never going to turn the tables. We had opportunities but you have to have the desire to score goals but that's where we're lacking slightly."

"We got two clean sheets in our last two games because of people making decisions at the right times."

"We didn't do that in this game and were punished."

"At any level of football if you don't work hard enough as an individual or as a team you will get beaten."

"We still need to strengthen in one or two positions but it's not as easy as going out and getting players – it's a process and when you're in the position we're in it's not always as easy as when you're at the other end of the table."

Hawks travel to 17th placed Kingstonian this Saturday.

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Bronze for Wright at Essex Ten Mile Championships

HARLOW Running Club member Sharon Wright completed the Essex Ten Mile Championships at Tiptree and crossed the finish line in a time good enough to earn her the bronze medal in her age group.

Wright came home in 74th place out of 422 finishers and third female Vet 35, clocking a

superb 1hr 09min 37sec.

First home for Harlow was Craig Segal in 14th place in an excellent PB time of 59:25, Martin Westley was 33rd in 1:02:51 (PB), Carinne Jay 105th in 1:13:34, Sandra Rust 128th in 1:15:38, Adrian Fell 131st in 1:15:54, Colin Moody 144th in 1:16:49, Kerry Mavis 193rd in

1:22:35 (PB), Andy Bradley 228th in 1:25:21 and Debbie Barry 277th in 1:30:09.

Meanwhile, at the Yorkshire Marathon, Rich Hynes finished in 93rd place out of 4229 finishers in a fantastic PB time of 2:56:25, Terry Ridge was 941st in 3:41:39 and Paul Watts 2800th in 4:37:30.

At the Great Birmingham Half Marathon, Andy Kitson finished in 595th place out of 7890 finishers in 1:34:51.

Jon Wickings finished in 4122nd place out of 16,356 finishers at the Royal Parks Half Marathon, coming home in 1:52:13, and Emma Stead was 11,957th in 2:21:41.